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Growing fears that airline pilots and cabin crew face an increased risk of cancer from exwater through the many posure to cosmic radiation has prompted a new European directive requiring airlines to monitor and limit the dose their employees receive.

Preliminary studies suggest that air hostesses are almost twice as likely to suffer breast cancer and 15 times more likely to have bone cancer than women in the general population. Pilots appear to have the highest leukaemia risk of any occupation, and are more likely to develop melanoma and cancer of the lower gut, according to a study in the journal, Aviation
Space and Environmental

The studies involved small numbers of people, and researchers have stressed that netic forces. Airline crews are more research is needed to substantiate or refute the findings. But they also raise questions over the type of radiation the crew are exposed to, and at between 1000-3000 miwhether this has been taken into croSieverts (a unit of radiation) eccount when calculating risk.

Airlines have repeatedly olayed down the dangers of cosmic radiation exposure to avoid and solar activity. alarming crew and passengers
who fly regularly, although a

According to the National
Radiological Protection Board large American survey is unrway to establish if there is

any risk to frequent flyers.
The airlines have failed to reassure some pilots, including British pilots, who now carry personal radiation monitors on the flight deck. The British personic flights. Airline Pilots Association is funding a study by scientists at Bremen University to assess chromosome damage to Con-corde crew who, because they fly at higher altitudes (about

highest levels of radiation. Balpa plans a second study for pilots on subsonic flights fly-ing regularly at 39,000ft, and is recruiting volunteers to carry monitors with them when they fly. Carolyn Evans, technical secretary for Balpa, said: "It is something we are greatly concerned about. We are fortunate in that excellent data exists for

runs contrary to the airline industry's repeated dismissal of the dangers of cosmic radiation exposure, and their attempts to discredit any research

which indicates otherwise.

A decision to include air crew in the directive, which lays down safety standards for the protection of workers and the general public from radiation, follows a study by Finnish scientists published in the British Medical Journal last year. This study, the first of its kind, assessed the cancer risk of all cabin crew who had ever A worked on Finnish airlines and Hill

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who had not died before 1 January 1967 – a total of 187 men and 1577 women.

Dr Eero Pukkala of the Finnish Cancer Registry, and Anssi Auvinen of the Finnish Centre for Radiation Nuclear Safety, found "significantly raised risks" of breast and bone cancer in air hostesses. A second study by the Danish Cancer Society found an excess of breast and bone cancers and leaders and study by the Cancer Society found an excess of breast and bone cancers and leaders. leukaemias among cockpit and

A study for the German Cockpit Association found that pilots were up to 10 times more likely to have chromosome abnormalities than the general population, although the significance of the abnormalities is not known.

Cosmic radiation originates in outer-space and radioactive particles are drawn towards the North and South Poles by magchronically exposed to cosmic radiation, mainly from neutrons and gamma rays. The mean annual dose is estimated per year but this varies according to flight altitude - the dose doubles every 4,920ft - latitude,

which is responsible for the safety of aircrew, the limit of exposure is 6000 microSv in any one year. The average radiation dose experienced by crew flying at 39,000ft is 5 microSv per hour, and 10 microSv for su-

Dr Chris Sharp, head of the Medical Department at the NRPB, said that even on the worst case" radiation exposure, the London to Tokyo route, crews will accumulate 5400 mi-59.000ft), are exposed to the croSv, well below the NRPB recommendation. Exposure on the ground of the general population is about 2200 microSv per year, and an X-ray delivers a dose of 20 microSv.

Dr Michael Bagshaw, head of Aviation Medical Services at British Airways, said that the risks to crew posed by cosmic radiation was minimal, and that a study of pilots flying between toring equipment."

The EC directive, which comes into effect in May 2000, runs contrary to the contrary to th creased risk of cancer.

"There have been commercial flights for more than 50 MATTHEW BRACE years and no evidence of an excess of cancers. The international limits for occupational [radiation] exposure is 20,000microSv per year or 100,000microSv in five years with up to 50,000 in anyone year. Crew are well within that. We would be foolish to say there is no risk but we are confident that it is minimal," Dr Bagshaw

Additional research Amelia







Campaign trail: The Clinton family preparing to leave Huntington, West Virginia, for their tour. Left, Roosevelt with his son Franklin at Bismarck, North Dakota, in 1936; right, Harry Truman in Washington DC in 1948Main photograph: Reuters

Trains

Clinton on the voters' track

DAVID USBORNE Aboard the Presidential train

Any form of transport is at the disposal of candidates running for the White House, but if it is romance, patriotic imagery and old-fashioned populism that you are after, nothing can

beat the iron borse.

Abraham Lincoln rode the rails to power, and so did Harry Truman and Franklin Roosevelt. This week it is Bill Clinton who is trying to capture the whistle-stop magic with a fourday train swing through five states of the Midwest, many of which are critical battlegrounds in the 1996 election, on his way to the Democrat convention which opened without him in

Chicago yesterday.
Of course, Mr Clinton could have flown to Chicago aboard Airforce One. Considering the overwhelming logistics of pack-ing a miniature White House and a full Press corps into 10 railway carriages and navigating them halfway across the country, fly-ing would certainly have been easier. But what a missed opportunity that would have been.

"I'm going on a train," he declared on one of his stops yesterday, "because I want to see people like you that I've been working for and fighting for four years." Never mind that most Americans never travel by train nance of trains escapes no one; Thomas Dewey in 1948. certainly not a campaign professional like Mr Clinton.

This ride is the on-location part of the Democrats' convention week. The studio work is being done inside the United Center in Chicago where Mr Clinton will appear on Thursday. But this is the part where the President puts on a show of getting out with the voters themselves, something he does with aplomb and skill.

Mr Clinton yesterday used a stop in Columbus, Ohio, to deride the Republican Party for resisting gun control and made

hand-gun Bill. The President accused the Republicans of por-traying his policies as an assault on law-abiding sports hunters. He quipped, to roars of approval from the crowd: "I didn't know a single deer hunter with

an Uzi - not a one". This trip has been scripted by Harry Thomason and Mort Engelberg, the same pair of Hol-lywood producers who conjured up Bill Clinton's and Al Gore's smash-hit bus tour through the Midwest after the Democratic Convention in New York four The front two-thirds of the

train comprise the most modern rolling stock America can muster. The rear of the train boasts two polished and majestic period carriages. These are the cars that provided the backdrop for the whistlestop campaigns that Thomason and Engelberg are so keen to evoke. For candidates in the last century, the train provided a vital means of making contacts with the voters.

Abraham Lincoln toured the country by rail in 1860 on trains more basic than this. President Roosevelt had a car personally built for his peregrinations around the country. Most famous of all, however, are the monochrome images of Harry Truman travelling some 30,000 miles by train during his come-

Mr Clinton's accommodation on this trip is the Georgia 300, used by President Roosevelt for his visits from Washington to his favourite retreat, Warm Springs, Georgia. Most importantly, it has that small platform at the back, adorned with patriotic bunting, upon which the President can stand as the train pulls out of its every stop. And just so that no one misses the point, the slogan of the journey is a groan-inducing pun: this President has put America on the right track.

Clinton bandwagon, page 6

& automobiles

Jams begin as rain stops play

Thousands of motorists and their families deserted the beaches and set off for home early last night as the cooler, wet weather over the Bank Holiday weekend made for a more peaceful time on the roads.

As the traffic queues began to grow yesterday evening, a spokesman for AA Roadwatch said showers across the country and the lack of August heat had helped keep holidaymakers re- meaning the post-Bank Holiday people were expected to attend

laxed. "We've had quite a qui-et weekend compared to what it's usually like. What we haven't bad is the ... sunshine

which often brings out the boy racer in people," he said. AA Roadwatch was gearing up to cope with the slow crawl home from seaside resorts. Despite many roadworks being cancelled for the boliday period, delays were expected. Many people left early be-

cause of the autumnal weather.

mal. By 6pm the worst-hit area was the North East, with delays growing on the A1/M.

Showers washed most of the country yesterday and were expected to linger into the night western regions, where hill fog and mist were also likely.

But the changeable weather did not dampen spirits at Lon-don's biggest street party of the year - the Notting Hill Carnival. As many as 1.5 million

rush started sooner than nor- the three-day event. Once safely with only a handful of

arrests for minor offences. At the height of the carnival yesterday a Metropolitan Police spokesman said: "We believe there are about 400,000 people here ... but we are expecting more. The mood is very positive and we are pleased with the way things are going," he said. Nearly 7,000 police officers

were on duty over the weekend to police the event.

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Taxpayers foot £500,000 clothes bill for royal visits

Government attempts to cut

ANTHONY BEVINS

NHS bureaucracy will put the care of patients with complex An Independent analysis of royconditions at risk, Britain's top al trips over the last four years specialist hospitals have shows that clothing bills could . Page 4 Research fund threat The Cancer Research Cam-

paign is threatening to withdraw funding from Cambridge University scientists in protest at the university's decision to take £1.6m from British American . Page 6

Nazi secret

The three German officials who tried and failed to track down and prosecute the war criminal Erich Priebke had been Nazis themselves, it has

account for as much as one-fifth of the £2.5 million cost to the taxpayer of official visits - a bill of around £500,000 picked up by the Foreign Office. It is not uncommon for royal parties to spend more than

£4,000 on clothing for an offi-cial trip, regardless of the dis-tance and time spent abroad. Labour MPs last night called for limits to be imposed on royal clothing bills paid for by the

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, told Labour MP Tony Banks earlier this month that cluding travel, gifts, salaries, post

and other charges of £24,800. The Princess's official engagements "included a visit to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, a reception and dinner hosted by the American Associates of the Royal Academy, and a visit to the British American Chamber of Commerce," Mr Rifkind said.

In another answer to Mr Banks this month, Mr Rifkind understand visits to various clisaid that when Prince Charles mates can put a strain on their made an official visit to Los Angeles "in order to support the UK-Los Angeles festival" be-

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when Princess Alexandra went fore flying on to Hong Kong to to operate. These figures sugto the United States on a four-day visit in October-November of the World Congress on Urity it's certainly better than an acto the United States on a four-day visit in October-November of the World Congress on Ur-1993, the clothing bill "for the ban Growth and the Environwhole party" came to £4,950 - ment" and other engagements, out of a total bill for items in- the clothing bill "for the whole party" came to £6,400 for a trip costing £53.300.

Of a dozen visits examined by the Independent, following questions put by Mr Banks, it appears that the Foreign Office picked up clothing bills of more than £55,000 for trips costing a total of £285,000, or 20 per cent of the total cost. Labour campaigner Alan Williams said last night: "I can

count at Marks and Spencer.

The Foreign Secretary told Mr Banks in July: "High profile and worthy representation of Britain abroad inevitably involves additional expenditure on clothes by members of the Royal Family and certain of those accompanying them. It is right that such expen-diture should be met by the

Government for visits undertaken at our request." A spokesman for the Foreign Office said last night that he doubted whether the taxpayer picked up the bill for Mr Rif-kind's clothes when he made

high-profile visits abroad.

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Cambridge may lose charity cash

Cancer group threatens to withdraw research millions over

paign, a leading medical charity, is threatening to withdraw funding from Cambridge University scientists in protest at the university's decision to take £1.6m from British American Tobacco to found a chair in

international relations.
The charity spends £2.5m a year on research at the university. All existing contracts will be honoured, but the CRC's council is to meet next month and debate whether further work should be funded there. The move would mark a fur-

under pressure in the United States from President Clinton's decision to declare cigarettes a drug under the Food and Drugs legislation. It also follows protests over the weekend at last year's decision by a Medical Research Council unit to accept cash from BAT towards a research project on nicotine.

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funding from tobacco company, reports Nicholas Timmins entists and the tobacco com- re-consider the guidelines un- two to one to take it. der which its units are encourpanies at a time when they are

aged to seek outside cash to support their work The Cancer Research Campaign's move, which could cost Cambridge more in lost funding than it has gained from

opposed at the time by Sir Kei-th Peters, the university's Professor of Physic and its most senior medical academic, who is also a member of the CRC's BAT's endowment, follows bitco is a major health problem in all countries and control of cig-arette smoking is the single most powerful opportunity for preventive medicine in the deter division at the university over whether to take the cash. The money was only accepted after a ballot of Cambridge's 3,300

don McVie, the CRC's director general, said at the time that he was "mightily displeased" that Cambridge had taken the money. Sir Walter Bodmer, head of the Imperial Cancer Research The BAT endowment was

> cept it "quite appalling". Susan Osborne, the CRC's director of communications, said the issue had reached such a pitch that the charity had de-cided to hold a special council

It was not yet clear, she said, what decision would be made,

Fund, called the decision to acfeelings of our supporters, many of whom are supporters because they have had cancer in the family, much of it due to tobacco-

the issue and decide what ac-tion, if any, it should take.

but deciding not to fund work in Cambridge in future was "one option" to be debated.

With 100,000 premature deaths a year caused by smoking, tobacco funding "has to be a major issue to consider for an organisation like ours", she said. "We raise over £50m a year and we have to consider the

Afterry caught fire and 111 people were evacuated afternoon, Greens Pelisands yesterday afternoon, Guernsey Police said. The fire broke out in the port-side engine room of the Trident Seven catamaran carrying mostly British and French day trippers minutes after it left St Peter Port in Guernsey bound for Jersey, and passengers were

SIGNIFICANT SHORTS

taken off in a rescue operation helped by private and commercial craft. The only person injured was an 88-year-old French woman who was taken to Princess Elizabeth Hospital in St Peter Port with a suspected leg injury and broken arm. The ship was last night towed back into harbour with a firefighting crew on board.

replaced with sandwiches, crisps or chips under government plans which will break up the meals service in many areas, local authorities have warned. Proposals to remove meals from the part of the budget held by local authorities will force schools to choose between sacking teachers and providing decent lunches for children from families on income support, they say. The law says free meals must be given to these children, but does not specify what they should consist of. This week Local Schools Information, a company funded by the local authorities, will publish a report attacking the plans. Fran Abrams

Mary Robinson criticised Royal Ulster Constabulary members who were involved in sectarian and aggressive behaviour during the recent Drumcree confrontation. Speaking at a summer school at the Glencree Reconciliation Centre in Co Wicklow yesterday the President of Ireland said unlawful actions were always serious but much more so when committed by those in uniform". She emphasised that she was not suggesting this applied to the majority of members of the security forces. Alan Murdoch

Proposals to secure the future of the Cairngorms in the Scottish Highlands, one of Britain's most important areas of nature conservation, were launched yesterday. The draft management strategy of the Cairngorms Partnership includes projects such as the formation of new forests on Deeside to generate new industries, improve recreational opportunities and boost visitor numbers. The strategy will be the subject of extensive public consultation.

retand's 1,200 Jews are to get a new Chief Rabbi after three years without one. They will be led by Gavin Broder, who has been rabbi at Newbury Park synagogue in east London for the past six years. The previous Chief Rabbi was Ephraim Mirvis. After he retired his chosen successor decided to take up an alternative post.

Two people were killed when a light aircraft crashed yesterday. The victims, both men in their mid-thirties, died instantly when their Rallye aircraft came down in a field behind Barton aerodrome, Salford, Greater Manchester. Airfield director Eric Whitworth said the pilot had taken off two hours before the field was officially open at 9am, at a time when no fire or air traffic control cover was provided, without permission for the early flight. The cause of the crash was being investigated. The incident was the second in a few weeks at Barton where last month a Second World War mosquito fighter bomber crashed during an air show killing the pilot and navigator.

Apology: A photograph in yesterday's issue, illustrating an item about Laurence Marks, the television writer, was in fact of Laurence Marks, the journalist and profile writer who recently died. We offer our sincere apologies to the family of the late Laurence Marks for this error.

Boy, 5, dials 999 after mother's murder

MATTHEW BRACE

A five-year-old boy who lost both parents in an apparent murder and suicide incident dialled 999 to summon help when he found his mother's blood-stained body.

Jonathan Healey, an only child, dialled the emergency services and asked for an ambulance when he found his mother Amanda's body on the landing of the family's semi-detached home in Cardiff on Sunday night. Police said she had been

stabbed repeatedly.
After dialling 999, Jonathan let paramedics into the house were they found his mother.

Twenty-five miles away at the South Wales coastal beauty spot of Southerndown, detec-tives recovered the body of Jonathan's father, Robert, from among rocks. His black G-registration BMW was abandoned on the headland close by.

South Wales police are working on the theory that Jonathan's father, a self-employed plumber, killed his wife during an argument late on Sunday night and then drove to the lonely beach where he killed bimself by slashing his

Officers are not seeking anyone else in connection with the deaths but have issued an urgent appeal for help from the Healeys' relatives and friends to

Detective Superintendent Dave Thomas said officers would be guided by expert counsellors and the force's child support unit before attempting to speak to Jonathan.

"What this little boy did is quite amazing bearing in mind what he may have heard or seen. His actions in summoning emergency help in such a traumatic situation must be commended most highly," he

Lecturer Steve Mitchell completes his challenge at the 11th World Bog Snorkelling Championship in Liamwrtyd Wells, Powys, yesterday. The prize for swimming two 60-metre lengths non-stop, keeping the arms under water, was £40 Photograph: Rob Stratton

Writ will settle jail release row

Heads down as snorkellers attempt to set the bog standard

ANTHONY BEVINS Political Editor

A rare writ of habeas corpus, the Home Secretary to detain prisoners who were to have been early, is expected to resolve the dispute by the end of next

Michael Howard and the prisons minister Ann Widdecombe will meet Richard Tilt, Director-General of the Prison Service, at the Home Office this morning for a preliminary examination of the time-bomb Mr Tilt left behind when he left for a holiday

in Italy last Wednesday. One Home Office source tioned the "early release" issue

It was dealt with, almost as an aside, in a three- or four-page document, and according to one official who has seen the file, it was not even mentioned on the first page.

That could explain why it was not spotted by Mr Howard when it went to him in his daily box of official papers last Thursday and why he was caught unawares when approached by journalists after the first of 86 prisoners were freed.

Miss Widdecombe was on

told The Independent last night holiday, so the report was left be uncomfortable, if not rethat Mr Tilt had not even men- on her desk to await her return. criminatory, but no discipli-That suggests that Home Office nary action can be taken against when he delivered his end-of- officials were not vetting the pa- him until the immediate legal

> retary or the prisons minister. Of more immediate concern to ministers, however, could be the complete breakdown of the political "radar" that had been aced within the Prison Service. A monitoring unit of Home Office officials led by a senior, Grade 3, official, had been placed within its headquarters because of previous breakdowns in communications, with the

specific task of spotting political problems on the horizon and alerting the Home Secretary. Initially, encouraged by Mr Howard, the unit worked against the service, secondguessing almost every significant decision last year. Now it ap-pears to have gone "native" and whatever happens as a result of the current inquiry, Mr Howard

will have to come up with more tightly tuned orders.
While Mr Tilt might have been naive enough to believe that the early-release project would not cause any difficulty, Mr Howard will feel that his own officials might have had the political nous to challenge that view. If any heads roll, they can be expected to do so - quietly from within that unit. Mr Tilt's meeting today will

Mr Tilt was holding talks at his offices in Westminster ves-

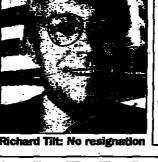
terday, having interrupted his The 52-year-old Director-General, who has said he sees no reason to resign from his £90,000-a-year post, is known as a man who delegates as much as he can, unlike his predeces-

as a product of that approach The new guidelines on cal-culating release dates were drawn up by a Prison Service working party, with advice from Home Office lawyers, after a series of court cases last year.

sor, and the latest crisis is seen

The working party found that the 1967 Criminal Justice Act, which allows time spent in custody on remand before sentence to be subtracted from a jail term, had been incorrectly terpreted for almost 30 years.

It decided that the Act allowed the remand period to be taken into account in each of a series of consecutive sentences rather than being simply sub tracted from the total time served. It was estimated that 500 prisoners could expect to be freed imminently and that a further 4,000 would have the time they served reduced.

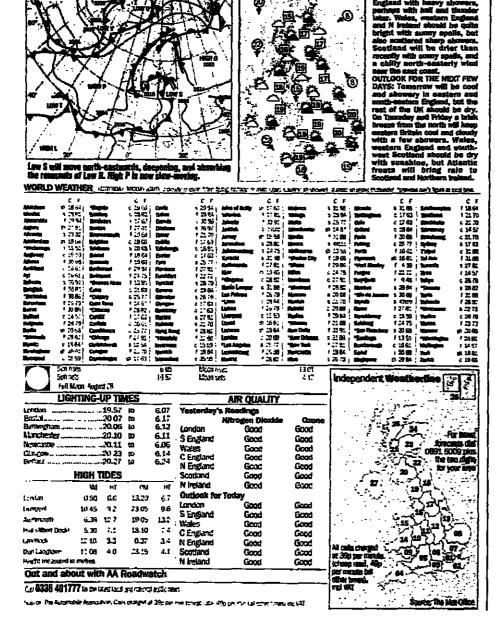


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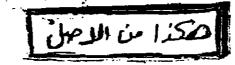
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REBECCA FOWLER It is not easy keeping up ap-pearances for the Windsors. ten burder and ten nek togets and ten But the Royal Family's latest His lower with this q clothes bills for foreign travel, from the well-cut safari suit to the most spangled evening dress, all land on the desks of of Ulster Constabilia Whitehall civil servants to be 22 maje that are it is not designed settled. Some of the royals are such Recommendation dedicated followers of fashion, California Susceptible e Propinsion to halong that the strain is already showwhere the transmit of the planting ing on the most recent recruits am the administra to the family. Prince Edward's

partner Sophie Rhys-Jones, told her friends recently she simply could not compete on £300 week as a humble former PR consultant. As the bills trickle through for trips including those to the Caribbean, Hong Kong, Mexico and San Francisco, it is hardly a surprise. Princess Margaret alone took £7,200 worth of gear for her and her entourage on a trip to the United States last summer. Even the royal men are not

shy of shelling out on dapper outfits for royal tours. Prince Philip spent £1,800 on clothes for a trip to the Caribbean; and Prince Charles's tailors put in a bill for £6,400 for his trip to Los Angeles and Hong Kong. The most modest buyer was the Duke of Kent who spent just £300 for a two-day trip to Singapore in September. Sartorial style does not come cheap in the House of Windsor

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al to do on such a trip? According to the shopping list for travel clothes, climatic changes, evening galas and state events do not come cheap, and the royal wardrobe is highmaintenance. As with all royal tours, Buckingham Palace send all the couturiers' bills to the

of keeping up

appearances

Foreign Office for payment.
The front-runner in the royal glamour stakes is Princess Margaret, who has made a recent concession by wearing hand-me-downs from her sister. She is famous for her taste in spangled dresses, white Minnie Mouse shoes from Rayne, designers who include Anouska Hempel and Caroline Charles. and attention to detail. She once said: "I always have to be practical ... Sleevés mustn't be too tight either, they must be all right for waving."

Even the lesser royals are determined to keep up appearances. The Duchess of Kent, who favours Giorgio Armani, has spent around £11,000 on tour clothes in the past three

Prince Edward forked out £2,200 of Foreign Office money on a trip to Swaziland. He was a customer at Airey and

totle Onassis's yacht in the

Earlier this summer, Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, attempted to defend the wardrobe bills. He said: "High-profile and worthy representation of Britain abroad inevitably involves additional expenditure on clothes by members of the Royal Family.

One welcome cutback has been Princess Diana's removal from the list of royals claiming for new frocks and suits from the Foreign Office, since the royal divorce was set in motion. She set new standards a decade ago for reportedly ordering £80,000 of outfits for a 16-day tour to the Middle East, softening the blow by selecting British designers, including Catherine Walker and the

But the most notable absentee from the wardrobe expenses file is the Princess Royal, famous for gamely reusing outfits she ordered up to 20 years ago. At the D-day commemoration service in Arromanches she wore a coat she first wore to visit Canada in 1974.

John Boyd, her milliner of 27 years, said afterwards: "She keeps all the hats I've made her Wheeler, the gentlemen's out-fitter in Piccadilly famous for its in perfect condition ... They're safari suits, and which ran up all put away beautifully and lightweight suits for Sir Winston come out years later, like new."

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Royal ambassadors: (Clockwise from left) Princess Diana in Nepal, 1993; Princess Margaret, renowned for her spangled frocks, on her way to San Francisco, 1995; Prince Charles in Los Angeles, 1994; and Prince Edward on a trip to Swaziland in 1993 which cost Whitehall £2,200 in clothes bills

Prostitute video set to fuel controversy

MICHAEL STREETER

A new video called Hookers is likely to add fresh controversy to the row about the making of films using "real-life" footage from surveillance and closedcircuit cameras.

Due out in two weeks, it is thought to feature scenes of prostitutes working in the street and also in hotel rooms captured on hidden cameras. The makers, Edu Vision, last

night declined to reveal more details about the film, how it was made or where the footage was gathered.

But as it is likely contain an explosive mixture of sex and surveillance. Hookers was predicted by the industry to raise new They said they had footage questions about intrusion, privacy and copyright following the Government's attempt to ban a

video featuring operations. One industry source told The Independent: "We think Hookers is going to cause another row, not just over its content but about how it was made."

The controversy over Everyday Operations continued yesterday with its producers claiming it was medics who first proposed making the film. David Donaghue, of the

video's makers, ICM Video, said he was contacted "originally by an award-winning medical training video organisation run by medically qualified people

that they felt was worthy of a wider audience", he said.

Sales of the video, which costs £12.99, were halted on Sunday after the Department of Health obtained an interim

The health minister Gerry Malone warned that he would take a "very serious view" of any breach of patient confidential-ity by the NHS in the making of the video. He said he was determined to ensure that the guidelines on confidentiality

were properly adhered.

A full hearing is expected later this week but Mr Donaghue said the ban would be fought.

The group's four members vill receive a reported \$80m

agreed to the deal.

Viewers cannot get enough of real life

The row over the "op shock" hospital video Everyday Operations is one more sign of the public's apparent fascination with so-called called "real-life" action.

Set against those people who expressed outrage over a video depicting hospital surgery, are the 9 million-plus who settle down to watch ITV's new hit se-

ries Police, Action, Camera! Essentially the two rely on the same ingredients; video footage shot by official bodies in formal circumstances and later skillfully packaged as entertainment in our living rooms.

Increasingly, say experts, the lines between information and entertainment are being blurred on our television and video screens; information - if graphic enough - is entertainment. police car chases.

The controversial video Executions, which featured 21 killings from around the world, is perhaps the clearest example yet of how a supposedly educational programme was regarded as exploiting the worst

f humanity for entertainment. The same group of produc-ers had earlier made the the successful Police Stop! video which grossed £3.5m with its highpeed car chases and crashes.

Michael Streeter on the blurring of information with entertainment

More controversial was the Caught in the Act! video, which combined villains being caught committing crimes with closed-circuit television footage of sexual acts. Yet another video, Road Rage, is due out soon.

The spin-off into television is clear. Police, Action, Camera! can trace its parentage to the Po-lice Stop! video. It was used by the ITV network to go head-tohead with EastEnders during the Olympics, and though beaten into second place it still attracted a healthy 9.1m viewers with its spy-in-the-eye view of

But for the television viewer who can get all the violence and thrills they want from films and television dramas, what is the added attraction of real-life productions which often suffer from relatively poor quality?

James Hunt, of David Donoghue Associates, behind Everyday Operations, believes

the popularity has been partly

inflated as a result of politicians' anger at trying to ban them. But he admits there are other reasons. "People prefer to see reality on TV, because it's the

next best thing to reality. And what is wrong with reality?"
He also maintains that many serve an educational purpose.

"If anyone gets entertainment from watching executions then I feel sorry for them," he said.

Barrie Goulding, whose company Edu Vision helped produce

Caught in the Act!, admits there

is a strong element of voyeurism. "I think you can trace this back to Candid Camera. The general public does not want to see people come to harm. But ing someone in a real situation from afar is fascinating." Victor Perkins, lecturer in the

of "confusion of purpose" over what is information and what is But he accepts there is natural curiosity in people wanting to see real-life dramas, as viewers test themselves over how they would react. Wanting to see how people behave in extremis is not necessarily de-plorable."

Deal puts REM in record books

TIM CORNWELL

REM, the rock group celebrated for their artistic integrity and socially conscious outlook, have signed the biggest known recording contract in the history of the music industry.

(£53m) for their next five albums from Warner Bros. Already in their mid-to-late thirties, they will be nearing 50 when the last album is delivered. Thousands of Warner employees at a company summit in Anaheim, California, applauded when the chairman, Russ Thyret, announced REM had

But despite their enormous album sales of 30 million, industry analysts were left to wonder how the company will recoup its vast outlay. Formed in 1980, REM have grown from cult status into a mature hand whose audience runs from teenagers to the thirty-somethings who grew up with them. Guitarist Peter Buck, 39,

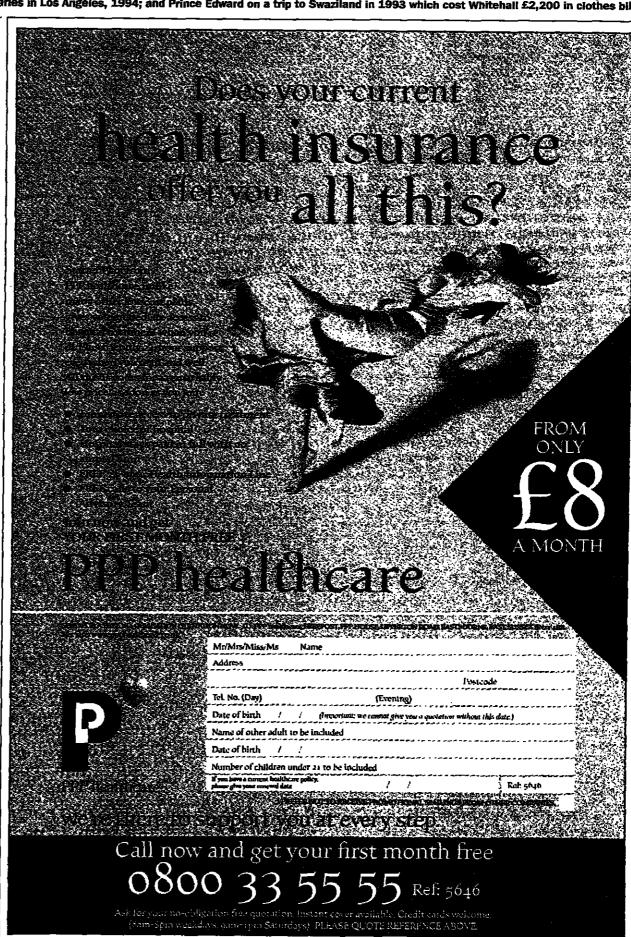
singer Michael Stipe, 36, bassist Mike Mills, 37, and drummer Bill Berry, 37, have won four Grammys and despite their success remain based in Athens, Georgia, a small college town. Environmentally and politi-

cally engaged, REM played at President Bill Clinton's inaugural celebrations in Washington DC four years ago. They have been prominent support-ers of MTV's Rock the Vote campaign to encourage young Americans to register to vote.

The deal broke the \$70m record set by the singer Janet Jackson earlier this year. Warner Bros saw off bids from five Film and Literature Departother companies and sees the ment at the University of Warsigning as a huge coup. wick, believes there is a problem The company is struggling to

recover from a series of corporate power battles in the last two years said to have alienated top artists. Several had threatened to jump ship, including REM. The terms of the deal are thought to be \$10m signing bonus, \$10m per new album, and \$20m advance on sales of their existing Warner albums.

Music's silly season, page 11



NHS cuts 'put specialist patients at risk'

NICHOLAS TIMMINS. **Public Policy Editor**

Government attempts to cut NHS bureaucracy will put the care of patients with complex conditions at risk, Britain's top specialist hospitals have warned Stephen Dorrell, the Secretary of State for Health.

In an attempt to cut the £22m administrative bill for sending patients to hospitals with whom health authorities do

not have contracts, the NHS centres Executive is proposing that from next April district general hospitals should control the budget referrals to specialist

The so-called tertiary referrals could involve a consultant at a district general hospital scuding a patient on for highly specialised assessment and treatment at hospitals such as Great Ormond Street and the central London, and specialist

in neurology, orthopaedics and cardiac care. At present, that money is controlled by health authorities. But the NHS Trust Federation is warning that giving the cash direct to district general hospitals could well lead to consultants facing pressure from managers not to send patients on for sec-

ond opinions, or to doctors being encouraged to attempt complex treatments themselves. The protests are being led by the specialist hospitals who fear

as they lose business. But the implications are so serious that they have been backed by the NHS Trust Federation, which represents all 450 NHS Trusts.

Consultants in secondary. units with relatively tight budgets might, for financial reasons, be encouraged to undertake work which would be more appropriately undertaken in a specialist unit," the federation has told the department. Local hospitals might also be temptbuild up the necessary expertise. The change also "has the potential to compromise the patient's right to a second opinion, the federation has

varned the department.
Dr Alan Davison, chief executive of the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, said he believed the proposal was "dispaperwork from a move in- you can easily imagine a finan-

for conditions which are too rare because of the undue influto allow local consultants to ence it will bring on doctors' decisions on whether to refer".

The Royal National received patients needing specialist orthopaedic and spinal assessments and treatment from consultants in 150 different hospitals over the past four mouths alone, he said. With rare conditions, "there is good evithings often do them well. But

or a consultant whose budget is tight, being tempted to try something themselves rather than spend the money referring

fact be the best treatment". He also argued that a move aimed at cutting bureaucracy would paradoxically increase it. Many of the referrals to specialist hospitals are one-off, outside existing contracts. But each also holds contracts for a given volume of cases with

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their future may be put at risk ed to establish their own units tended to cut bureaucracy and cially motivated chief executive, some local health authorities. In future, every case will have to

be billed separately. Robert Creighton, Great Ormond Street's chief executive, said the proposals has caused "extreme concern about the quality of patient care and future viability of specialist units". There were bound to be temptations to retain work which could include the treatment of rare cancers, spinal surgery and other treatment which ought to be done in specialist centres.

Anger at use of patient in Rantzen row

MICHAEL STREETER

The award-winning BBC reporter who attacked Esther Rantzen's new programme for sloppy journalism over its portraval of a home for the incurably ill was himself accused day of "sensationalism" by

the family of another patient. In his criticism of The Rantzen Report's "unfair" portraval of the home. Panorama's John Ware cited the case of former colleague Ian Smith who had received "wonderful" care from the staff. He contrasted this with the "misleading" way the programme had highlighted the case of anoth-

er patient, Ian Parker. Mr Ware wrote of Mr Smith, who was brain-damaged in a skiing accident, getting years of devoted and loving care "which I have witnessed

Mr Smith's girlfriend, Jan Cholawo, told *The Independent* yesterday she and his family were incensed" by claims Mr Ware knew the full history of the case. Mr Ware had not sought their permission to write about his former Panorama colleague, had visited him only once at the home to write the story, and had misrepresent-

ed his medical background. Ms Cholawo, 38, a dubbing editor, said: "The fact that he has used Ian as an example of wonderful loving care is frankly completely objectionable. He is using lan to promote this home in a way we would not have

done. The family are incensed." mother Wendy was also angry that Mr Ware's article in the Sunday Telegraph had claimed critical story. doctors had at first found "no sign of activity in his brain".

"I do not know where that information came from - doctors have never said that. It's sen-

She said the first she had known about the article being prepared was when the home rang to say that Mr Ware was to visit Mr Smith to read to him.

Then Wendy Smith was contacted by the home to say that Mr Ware was writing a "favourable" article. 'She was upset that permis-

sion was not asked, as she would not have given permission. Ian does not have the choice to say whether he wants to be written about." Writing in yesterday's Inde-pendent, Esther Rantzen said

she was "shocked" by Mr Ware's attack, in which he accused her programme of having the "potential for seriously damaging the BBC's reputation for fair-minded journalism". Ms Rantzen wrote in reply:

"To be attacked without being given any chance at all to defend myself, my production team, the participants in the programme or the programme itself seems to me a perversion of the truth, a twisting of the facts." The very public row between

two senior BBC figures reflects a serious debate within the organisation about the direction of fact-based programme-making. The British Home and Hospital for Incurables, south London, which is reporting the

programme to the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, said it Ms Cholawo said Mr Smith's was unhappy that The Rantzen Report had given them little or no warning it

BBC2's new

chief promises

John Ware could not be



Fishing rights: The Queen enlisted in campaign to have rare caviar-bearing species reintroduced

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Mighty sturgeon caught up in battle royal

Two stuffed fish in Doncaster's municipal museum and Her Majesty the Queen have been enlisted in a businessman's attempt to get the mighty sturgeon reintroduced to the waters of south Yorkshire.

Landing a sturgeon would rank high in most anglers' dreams. The caviar-bearing fish can grow to 11ft and "tail-walks" out of the water like the fighting giants of foreign

The sturgeon is also a royal fish. In the 14th century, Edward II decreed that any caught in English waters must first be offered to the monarch. A 200th specimen caught in the Humber estuary was accepted by the Queen in 1953.

Robin Goforth, who owns Hayfield Fishing Lakes, near Doncaster, would like to be able to offer the palace more sturgeon but has been thwarted by the Environment Agency (EA)



Big catch: Hooking a sturgeon, which can grow to 11ft, would be any angler's dream

and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Last week he wrote to the Queen begging her, in suitable language, to "prevail upon Your Ministers that they may recon-sider their decision".

preneur applied in 1994 to and the National Rivers An-introduce 200 sturgeon of up to thority – as the EA used to be 8in to his two lakes. He already stocks 32 species of fish in the lakes which attract some 2,000 anglers a week. But despite game of ping-pong" with two scaling the project down to 20 government agencies while The Ferrari-driving entre-

known - were not persuaded. For two years, Mr Goforth found himself engaged "in a fish, the experts at the ministry paying for advice from a third

Armed with a warrant; officials that if there was flooding, sturpaid a surprise visit and spent hours netting the lakes. "It was like a drugs raid," Mr Goforth

But the little sturgeon had been returned to a fish pond and aquarium supplier. Like carp or other fish species, they would have grown to whatever size was natural to their environment. "In my lake they would probably have got to the size of a large carp, say 30 or

Sturgeon were regularly caught in the Don until the turn of this century. But because of the installation of locks and weirs, together with pollution, they ceased swimming up from the sea to spawn in rivers.
Two stuffed six-footers in

Doncaster museum have been central to Mr Goforth's case. But the EA claims the fish he wanted to introduce were hybrids and that the lakes are on a flood plain.

geon could get into the river. We really could not be sure what the effect would be on competing fish and whether there would be a risk of disease," said an EA

Mr Goforth countered that he would comply with any quarantine conditions, and, anyway, the EA did not know whether his sturgeon were native-type or not. Now he awaits a reply from the palace. "I do believe Her Majesty is on holiday, but I understand there will be a

reply," he said.
Richard Lee, the news editor of Angling Times, has caught sturgeon in stocked lakes in France and does not think anglers would have many qualms about their reintroduction. "The majority just like getting their string pulled. Catching a real tail-walking monster would make most of

them jump for joy," he said. DAILY POEM

Sonnet I

By Michael Drayton

Like an adventurer seafarer am I, Who hath some long and dang rous voyage been, And called to tell of his discovery, myself warm," he said. "I kept How far he sailed, what countries he had seen; shouting 'Help. For God's sake Proceeding from the port whence he put forth, someone get me out. By this time the dawn was breaking and I was worried that the tide was Shows by his compass how his course he steered, When east, when west, when south, and when by north, coming in. I had my back to the As how the pole to every place was reared, sea so I couldn't see it but I What capes he doubled, of what continent, The guifs and straits that strangely he had passed, A farmer, Anthony Gardner, Where most becalmed, where with foul weather spent, 54, eventually heard his screams And on what rocks in peril to be cast! and called the police. Mr Gard-

Thus, in my love, time calls me to relate My tedious travels and oft-varying fate.

Michael Drayton (1563-1631) was a prolific writer and poet whose works were finally edited into six volumes in the 1930s. Little is known about his life, but he died in poverty and it was only through the efforts of Lady Anne Clifford, who sponsored his tomb, that he came to be buried in

Westminster Abbey.

He was a historical poet, a teller of tales - his most famous being the "Ballad of Agincourt" which opens with the lines: Fayre stood the winde for France /When we our sailes advaunce." His sonnets can be found in the New Oxford Book of Seventeenth Century Verse, edited by Alastair Fowler.

more comedy Newsright would remain a "anchor point" and would not be Media Editor moved. Broadly, BBC2 should be about "story-telling", he said: the best programmes, particu-Mark Thompson, controllerdesignate of BBC2, said yesterday that he would take big larly factual ones, were those risks on high quality drama and would develop more cutwith strong narrative drive. Mr Thompson added that he ting-edge situation comedy like Absolutely Fabulous. would like to concentrate on event television, which might in-Speaking for the first time clude opera or rock festivals. He about his plans for the BBC's

minority-taste channel, Mr Thompson, 38, used the closing session of the Edinburgh International Television Festival to make a commitment to factual and arts programmes, even the return of shows such as

Arena and Monitor.
Mr Thompson said he would build on the work of his predecessor, Michael Jackson, who is to be controller of BBC1. "What Michael has done brilliantly is broaden the appeal of the channel," he said. "In the past there was a perception that it was slightly middle-aged but he has brought in younger

The channel needed more situation comedies, Mr Thompson said. He added that he was prepared to be patient. Programmes such as Men Behaving Badly, rejected by ITV, could find an audience over time, and "something good will work with audiences if you stick with it long enough".

Match 3

would also like to try to get the Grand Prix back from ITV. He conceded that the launch

of Channel 5 in January would increase competition for both BBC2 and Channel 4. They will be competing in lifestyle and leisure programming, because they haven't got the budget for big drama, he said. The reaction from delegates

was largely positive, with one producer calling Mr Thompson's plans "proof he knows the BBC2's strengths and weak-

There had been some criticism that Mr Thompson.currently controller of factual programmes, did not have the experience to run BBC2

The festival continued to be dominated by the BBC's campaign to increase the licence fee, and discussion of its costs. It is understood that the drama department could be a target. Channel 4 worth £1ba', page 14

Mathew Horsman, Media, Section Two

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STANGE SUYON. THE NATIONAL LOTTERY

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Up to his neck: The tide nearly killed Terry Howlett

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Man thought he would drown in quicksand A man who cheated death by I'm just going to have to sit and wait for the tide to come and just tried to keep still and keep

thought he was going to die. Terry Howlett, 29, who was

neck-deep in water when he was pulled from the sands at Morecambe Bay, Lancashire, said he had realised as dawn was breaking that the tide was coming in fast. "I thought, that's it.

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After "a few beers" on the train and a pizza in Carnforth, he went for a walk on the beach to clear my head".

wipe me out," he said. Mr Howlett, a former naval

engineer, had left his home in

Darlington on Saturday evening

for a night out in Camforth,

gully on the beach and that's when I realised my feet were sinking," he said. "I was just trying to get out but I kept getting in deeper. I was panicking and paddling like crazy.

"When it got up to my waist I stopped trying. The mud set like concrete around me and I was trapped. I wasn't sinking any more but I couldn't move." Mr Howlett began screaming

"I'd been walking for about half an hour when I came to a

ter everywhere," he said. for help but his shouts were lost in wind and driving rain. "The

Mr Howlett next remembers being surrounded by people as fire, police and paramedic crews worked with the "Mud Team" from Arnside coastguards to pull him free as the tide raced in. "I suddenly noticed there was wa-

knew it couldn't be long."

ner, his wife and Pc Ian Nick-

son fought in vain for 20

minutes to pull him out with a rope before calling in rein-

Mr Howlett was treated in hospital for hypothermia and rain was coming down in buck-

Gender gap: New research looks at how the different ways the sexes think and act affect their health

cise. Men are less likely to seek

help for problems, and indeed find it difficult to do so because

of their need to feel in control

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port's author, Trefor Lloyd,

said. But "in the explosion of in-

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there has been very little ex-

amination of what men think

and how their behaviour affects

iour, health professionals will

be much better placed to tackle the health needs of men

The heightened risks of being male

"If we can begin to understand men's risk-taking behav-

NICHOLAS TIMMINS

Men behave not only badly but

dangerously and so far we do

not really know why, according

to a report from the Royal

College of Nursing today. Living with a female partner

improves a man's health, the study by the college's Men's Health Forum says, while wid-owed, divorced and separated

men are more likely to smoke or drink excessively - no data

are available for homosexual

to do so less often than women.

Yet in-patient stays in hospital

and out-patient attendances

are higher for men in most age

groupings, probably in part be-

cause they put off seeking med-

ical advice for longer. Also, possibly for the same reason,

they die younger than women.

ganisations ranging from the British Medical Association to

health groups and the Confed-

eration of British Industry and

the Trades Union Congress,

said that most research has fo-

cussed on biological differences

between men and women. But

men's beliefs, behaviour and at-

titudes- as both consumers and

providers of health care - may

as machines, focusing on being

fit, strong, energetic, physically active and in control. Women

are more focused on avoiding

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In childhood, males have higher rates of

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Accidents account for 42 per cent of all deaths among 15 to 24 year-old men, and 17 per cent in those aged up to 44

Almost one-third of premature deaths in then under 65 are cased by cancer, with lung and

prostate cancers the most common cause

Testicular cancer has doubled since the early.

Seventies with 1,200 new cases in 1992,

although fatalities are decreasing

Men tend to see their bodies

be at least as important.

The forum, which links 40 or-

Men are less likely to visit their GP, and those who do tend

Public Policy Editor

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They smoke too much and drink too much. Men really

are behaving badly – and only women can save them

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The best 3,000 schools were more than a year ahead of the worst 3,000 in English and more than 18 months ahead in maths. Within each local authority area, there was an average gap be-tween the best and worst schools

and Employment of the test re- achievement. "There should be dents had been accepted. the Department for Education

this in his 1995 annual report. compared the performances of girls with those of boys, and worked out which local authorities are achieving the highest and lowest scores. He found that in maths, 16 per cent of girls and 19 per cent of boys had failed to reach the level ex-

'Analysis of the pupils' results degree of

ities, Dr Marks found that 77 out of 107 areas had at least one school where the average 11-year-old only reached the level of a 7-year-old in maths. Those with the highest scores were mainly the more prosperous, in-cluding Richmond, Kensington and Chelsea and Kingstonupon-Thames, all in London. Those with the lowest included the London boroughs of Tower Hamlets and Barking and Da-

by sharing best practice from succeeding schools with those School Curriculum and As-

similar findings.

Head Teachers, said that although guidelines said children should reach national curriculum level four by age 11 there were no national targets for what proportion should do so. He said he had been pressing Mrs Shephard for some time to work out targets with teachers' organisations. Children's test scores clearly needed to be improved, but he fully expected results of tests taken in spring 1996 to be better than last year's. Almost 8,000 students have found university places through the clearing system for this au-tunn, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service said last night. As the latest official lists, published in today's independent, went to press there were no places left in medicine, veterinary

science or dentistry but there

were vacancies in law, psychol-

ogy, languages, science and en-

gineering. About 19,000 courses were still not full; 237,400 stu-

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Home truths: BBC1 shows Neil Morrisey and Martin Clunes as Men Behaving Badly, with a lifestyle not designed to appeal to the fastidious

... and they're ill-equipped for work

BARRIE CLEMENT Labour Editor

The growing image of men as feckless, marticulate and unemployable receives robust con-

firmation in other reports today. Men are seen to be more impulsive than women, less organised and experience greater difficulty in reading.

Women are better qualified than men, who have a "mental block over training, and the gap is likely to widen, according to vocational education spe-

The depressing and increasingly familiar profile of the useless male emerges in re-ports by the North Yorkshire Training and Enterprise Council. They show that twice as many men as women are en-

colleges in the area - a trend to do are fully booked." much of their training at work, attractive to men, "but men which the council believes reflects the national situation.

ings, Peter Stratton, a psychologist at Leeds University, argued that men were falling be-hind because of their general approach to life.

Research shows that women are more likely to plan ahead and prepare for what they want to do," he said. Men are more impulsive,

looking for activities that provide high levels of sensation, taking risks and taking things as they come rather than planning. Men are therefore less likely to start on some-thing which offers long-term satisfaction. They are less likely to book in advance for courses, so they may well be

Dr Stratton said that college but as male-dominated indus- have got to meet us half-way". ences men and women have at school. "Boys are more likely to have had trouble academically, especially with reading, and generally find school more uncomfortable than girls," he said. "As adults they are more likely to find it difficult to read things

they don't find immediately interesting. "Men may well therefore be put off by the demands of reading in adult courses - and also by the needs of communication. Women are more verbally fluent. Eight times as many men

Lucy Adams of North York-

as women suffer from stam-

enrolments mightalso be af- tries decline men have to start Commenting on the find- fected by the different experi- organising themselves to learn even to keep up with women, Sandra Furby, of Future Prospects, a training organisa-

tion, who helped to retrain men after the closure of the ABB carriage works in York last May with the loss of 700 jobs, said that many males seemed to have a "mental block" when it came to training

She added however that while the men had not been keen to get involved at first, once they were persuaded, their response was "wonderfui".

Ms Adams said that motivating men to go on courses was a major challenge for society. The TEC would devote inrolling for vocational courses at finding the courses they want men traditionally received courses could be made more

She added: "If men want

they've got to start learning in their own time. All our research shows that within days. far from being a chore, it will become one of the most satisfying experiences that one can have." In a study of the local labour

market, the TEC found that the decline in the male economic activity rate was mainly explained by men giving up the search for work before the official retirement age of 65.

There had been a significant increase however in the proportion of women of all ages up was explained by the increasing number of jobs in the service shire TEC pointed out that creasing resources to see if sector and more part-time work and self-employment.

Tests show children years behind at 11

FRAN ABRAMS

Education Correspondent Gillian Shephard criticised gaps in achievement by 11-year-olds as unacceptable yesterday after a study suggested that some children were four years behind

the expected level. The Secretary of State for Education and Employment said that evidence compiled by a government adviser vindicat-ed her decision to publish league tables based on this year's tests for the age group.
"Wide variations in achievement between schools and education authorities are unaccept-

able," she said. Mrs Shephard said that underachievement by large num-bers of 11-year-olds was not caused by a lack of resources. "It costs as much to teach a good lesson as a bad one. If many education authorities can achieve good results, they all

Her comments followed an analysis of last year's test results by Dr John Marks, a right-wing member of the School Curricuium and Assessment Authority. His study, published yesterday by the Social Market Foundation, found that the average 11-yearold was two years behind the expected level in maths and 18 months behind in English.

of almost four years in English and five and a half in maths. Dr Marks analysed data from

ests published earlier this year had already suggested that pupils were not achieving as well as they should be at 11, and the chief in-spector of schools had echoed

However, Dr Marks has also pected of the average seven-

reveal a shocking underachievement'

year-old. In English, 9 per cent of girls and 15 per cent of boys had only achieved that standard. Comparing different author-

genham, and Birmingham, Manchester and Bradford.

He said the findings showed a "shocking" degree of under-

suits of 500,000 11-year-olds in spring 1995. Evaluations of the more focusing people's minds more focusing people's minds

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on what can be done," he said. David Blunkett, Labour's ed ucation spokesman, said that Mrs Shephard's response was inadequate. "What we need now is the use of reliable statistics as the foundation for direct action to improve standards

who are struggling," he said.

Last night no one at the sessment Authority appeared to know anything about the study, but officials said their analysis of the results, published at the end of last year, had pointed to

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Hillary sets the Clinton bandwagon rolling

RUPERT CORNWELL Chicago

This week Hillary Clinton comes back. Back home to Chicago, where today's Democratic First Lady grew up as a teenage organiser for Barry Goldwater in the rich and staunchly Republican suburb of Park Ridge. And after more than a year in Washington's

Chicago, addressing a women's

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care, visiting a poor Hispanic district and opening a park, at-tending fund-raising events for female Democratic candidates and giving scores of interviews. political equivalent of purdah, back into the public eye.

Tonight she addresses the convention in prime time, selling vention in prime time, selling Yesterday, gay and confident, Mrs Clinton was all over abeth Dole sold Bob Dole in her tour de force in San Diego.

wisdom has been that Mrs Clinton's endless embroilment in the Whitewater controversy, and her leading role in the disastrous attempt in 1994 to reform healthcare, have made her a political liability to the President, the most unpopular First Lady in memory. For reasons both obvious and subtle, that

may no longer be the case. For one thing, Republican at-tacks against her are now increasingly counter-productive, not so much because they seem like cheap political bullying but because they turn her into a po-

drawing criticism otherwise directed at her husband.

Most Americans think she has been less than truthful over Whitewater, but her approval ratings in a CNN / Time magazine poll yesterday were exactly divided, 47 to 47. A month ago, disapproval led approval by

And among many party activists, she remains a heroine. Like Eleanor Roosevelt (with whom, it was recently revealed to much ridicule, she has held imaginary conversations), Mrs Clinton is her husband's social conscience. As such, she has Democratic constituencies, First Lady, of course, does not state, "people have to ask themincluding minorities, old-fash- go that far. ioned liberals and professional women - all groups which are . unhappy with the right-ward

re-election. the Children's' Defense Fund. Mrs Clinton has surely been worried at the welfare reform measure signed last week by her husband, which removes automatic federal aid for children living in poverty, and which was

shift of her husband as he seeks

But her unease is palpable: Will children suffer? "I don't think so," she told CBS yesterday. "I have confidence that the esident will fix those parts of A former co-chairwoman of the bill. There was an opportunity he saw to change this welfare system which everyone knows isn't working well. I'll be watching, along with a lot of

other Americans. And, she concludes: "All of a sudden, the era of criticism described by the Fund's presi-dent, Marian Wright Edelman, Now that welfare has, in effect,

selves, what can we do now? Exactly the argument of the President himself, who insists the signed bill is only "the be-

ginning of welfare reform".

Plainly she will have a visible role in the forthcoming campaign - although no longer touted by her husband with his celebrated pitch from 1992: "Vote for me and get one free." Nor, she says, will she seek tonight to emplate Mrs Dole's bravura performance at the Republican convention, when she went down among delegates

massive support among core as "a moment of shame". The been handed to the individual on the floor like a talkshow host. Her speech was still "a work in progress yesterday, but it will focus on children's and family

As for the Republican attacks against her - as Mr Dole sug-gested in San Dicgo that her book, It Takes A Village, was closet socialism - Mrs Clinton affects indifference, dismissing them as partisan sniping against her husband: "I really don't pay much attention. Politically, it benefits them to attack me." Of life in the goldfish bowl of the White House, she said: "I don't regret a minute of it."

Prescott leads Blair drive on Chicago

JOHN CARLIN

Over tea and cakes at a downtown Chicago hotel, John Prescott, the deputy leader of the Labour Party, added a new word to the English language.
"You can't Clintonise British politics," he said.

The occasion was a reception on Sunday afternoon to celebrate the launch of the Chicago branch of the Labour Party - one of a host of events on the fringes of the Democratic Party National Convention extravaganza.

What, Mr Prescott was asked. did he mean by the word "Clintonise"? Did he intend it as a compliment? "No, I didn't," he replied emphatically. "It means that you are more concerned with images than with ideas." The Labour Party had tried that game in the 1992 British election and it had failed. The lesson from that failure, he said, was that "you cannot win simply on image and presentation, you have to put forward ideas".

There again, Mr Prescott added, betraying a little confusion as to the exact meaning of the word he had just coined, "If Clintonisation meant winning elections, I'd be in for that."

It is with this second possible meaning in mind that Mr Prescott has come to Chicago at the head of a Labour delegation whose mission it will be to pick up some tips, in anticipation of the election in Batain, from the Democratic Party's master campaign strategists.

To announce the delegation's arrival in the Windy City, Mr Prescott hit upon the stratagem of staging an event to honour the founding of Labour Inter-national's Chicago branch the fifth of its kind in the US, the other four being in Washington, New York, Boston and

Los Angeles.

A local expatriate, Jackie Navin, hosted the proceedings. Ms Navin said that Labour International boasted 250 members in the US. Worldwide the number was 1,100 "and growing all the time". Mr Prescott added that international membership of the party was growing as fast as the party in Britain, with more than 40 branches in 40 countries. A document headed "Your vote could make a world of difference" revealed that Labour International had offices in, among other places, Colombia, Benidorm and Slovenia.

Mr Prescott, aware that the Conservative Party has displayed more resourcefulness than Labour in the past in courting overseas British voters. said that expatriate Labour votes could make the difference between victory and defeat in marginal parliamentary seats. In the last general election there were a few constituencies where the number of registered over newly formed Labour Interna-seas voters was greater than the donar orsalcin, Ms Navin, its size of the Conservative ma- guiding light, would not reveal jornies. Therefore, he said, the the precise number that had

have a very considerable political effect," he said.

Just how valuable an electoral resource Labour voters abroad could prove to be was demonstrated, Mr Prescott said, by the fact that some 10 million British expatriates were scattered around the world. "About a million are estimated to be in the United States."

Accompanying Mr Prescott was Chris Smith, the party's health spokesman. Mr Smith, acknowledging that the UK had much to learn from the US mation superhighway and the environment, described the function of Labour International in the US as "essential", intimating that it could serve as a sort of unofficial foreign intelligence service for the party.

Just how essential the role of Chicago might be in ousting John Major's government appears to be a matter of debate, however. Sunday's audience treated to an hour and a half of Labour speechmaking, was attended by 60 people, a quarter of whom were representatives of the media; a quarter MEPs; and a quarter representatives of the local British Consulate General. The remainder appeared to be potential British voters. As to the size of Chicago's

branches of Labour International signed up Possed, the said blonal were not being constituted "Upwards of 20 are considering merely as social clubs. "They can joining."



One man and his dog: Checking security for the Democrats' convention at the United Center, Chicago, last night Photograph: Seth Perlman / AP

A name for everyone jostling under the sun massacre Having a double-barrelled sur-name can be an inconvenience

when abroad, especially one rich in Rs and Ls. and especially in Asia. "Richard" most people Asia. "Richard most peopie can just about manage, but "Lloyd" is pushing it a bit, and "Parry" is frankly asking for trouble. In Indonesia, this is the first thing everyone wants to know. Tani drivers, waiters, museum attendants on transactions. seum attendants - no transaction is complete without the question: "What is your name?" At first I compromised with simply "Richard". But after a

couple of days in Surabaya I de-cided it was time to come out "Hello mister!" said the man

"Bambang Edy Santosa Soeyitno," came the reply. Never again will I consider my name a problem. For oddity, unwieldiness, and sheer unpro-nouncability, nothing can match the names of Indonesia which seem to embody the unpre-

dictability of the whole country. The Justice Minister is Octojo Oesman. The opposition leader is Megawati Sukarnoputri. There is a photographer called Alfa Bravo. Skimming the by-lines in the Surabaya Post I find Herman Basuki, Oei Eng Goan, Fatchur Rozy, Hyginus Hardoyo, and Dja Welman Son Andries. Almost everyone sounds like a character in a Thomas Pynchon

The cornucopia of names is only part of the story. Geographically, linguistically, and ethnically, Indonesia is more like an empire, or a solar system, than a nation state. The islands were diverse enough before the arrival of Indians. Chinese, Arabs, Portuguese, Dutch, British, and Japanese, colonising, proselytising and trading. One reckoning counts 365 Indonesian languages and 300 separate ethnic groups. My guidebook lists 35, from the Bati to the Yali. That such a mixture manages to coexist under one flag is remarkable enough but, predictably, it is also the source of some lively prejudice.

Surabaya, you get a glimpse of prayers in Arabic. The food is

these sentiments, and of the eth- Indonesian-Chinese, and I nic and religious land mines waiting to explode beneath the unwary traveller. Surabaya is Indonesia's second city, and like second cities all over the world, it has a mingled envy and contempt for the pampered yuppies of the capital. But Surabaya is also a capital - of the East Java region, and just as Surabayans despise Jakartans, so they are also held in contempt by mi-grants from the outlying islands, and even by the inhabitants of

other East Javanese cities. sitting next to me in the market café. "What is your name?"

"Richard Lloyd Parry," I said apologetically. "And what is your name?"

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"Bowbang. Eth. Section." people, and quite touchy too.

> My friend speaks Dutch to his wife, Indonesian to his children and Javanese when shopping

Not as touchy as the Madurese, though: those Madurese you've really got to look out for. They are stupid, uneducated people and easily aroused. Anything gets them excited, anything. But they hate us Moluccans as well." My friend was born and grew

up in Surabaya. He speaks Dutch to his wife, Indonesian to his children, and Javanese when he goes shopping. His name is Yan Paul Kost Soerjadi. Our conversation was conducted in schoolboy French.

This impression of almost ridiculous diversity is borne out by a stroll through Surabaya. I take my breakfast in a case close to the main market. More than anything, it reminds me of the space bar in Star Wars: a gathering place for life forms from all over the universe. It is in an old Dutch colonial house; on the Even after a few days in walls are framed Muslim

sprinkle it with Japanese salt (Ajinomoto), and American pop (Fanta) bottled under license in Jakarta. The man sitting on my left is a naturalised Arab of Abyssinian and Iraqi parentage. He introduces me to his friend who came to Surubaya from a town in the jungles of Irian Jaya, and has thick fuzzy black hair and an almost African complexion.

His ambition is to go back to

Holland, where he once worked, and marry a European woman He asks me if I know any girls I could introduce him to, but is embarrassed by his English. "If only you spoke Dutch," he says, "then we could talk properly."

After breakfast, I head towards the market. The stalls groan under the produce of the islands: cinaminon sticks, tubers of ginger and ginseng, baskets of cloves, nuts, garlic, tomatoes, cabbages, coconuts, bananas, papayas and chilis. At the far end is a stall selling a variety of sex toys and aphrodisiacs creams, sprays and transparent packets of Chinese condoms. Most repulsive are a pile of penile rings, made out of the skin and bristly hairs of an indeterminable animal.

Outside the market is a sluggish river in which a group of small children are washing themselves. "Hello mister!" they shout as I pass. I wave back. and lean on the bridge to look down into the murky waters. A shoal of turds floats out from be-neath the bridge and bobs gently past the children.

I cross the bridge and at last find a familiar sight: yellow arches, chrome and glass, and inside a party of children throw. ing Big Macs at one another. Almost sentimentally, I stumble through the McPortals, avid for air conditioning and pre-dictability. A Chinese girl takes my order of French fries; her badge identifies her as Rita and she urges me to have a nice day, "What's your name?" asks Rita in an American accent. "Where do you come from?"

Richard Lloyd Parry wants him extradited.

of Nazi cover-up

IMRE KARACS

Perhaps the German judges who tried and failed to track down the war criminal Erich Priebke were too highly quali-fied for the job. What other con-clusion can one draw from the revelation that the three Nazihunters employed by the prosecutor's office in Dortmund

were Nazis themselves? Some poachers make good gamekeepers, but not the three senior officials who were in charge of Priebke's file between 1947 and 1973. Evidence of Priebke's guilt in the murder of more than 300 Italian civilians was established at the trial in Italy of SS Commander Herbert Kappler in 1948. Our three diligent public servants, now dead, filed them away in

the original Italian. Case closed. The Justice Ministry of North Rhine-Westphalia confirmed vesterday that the oversight might not have been entirely unconnected with its Nazi-hunters' brown history. Eight senior officials in the Dortmund prose-cutor's office had belonged to the Nazi party before the war. Of the three who were directly involved with Priebke's case, one had joined the National Socialists even before Hitler came to power in 1933; the other two joined soon afterwards. Two of the three held a rank in Hitler's storm-troops, the SA. "From today's point of view, their employment seems scarcely understandable," conceded the then Land Justice Minister, Rolf Krumsiek, last year.

The documents and the political controversy have again come to light following Priebke's trial in Italy. He was found guilty of murder, but his crime was deemed unpunishable under the 30-year statute of limitations. Hermann Weissing, the official now in charge of the Dortmund war-crimes unit, said last week that prosecutors had all the documents they needed to indict Priebke, but that the case had been inexplicably bungled.

After Italy's failure to send Priebke to jail, Germany now

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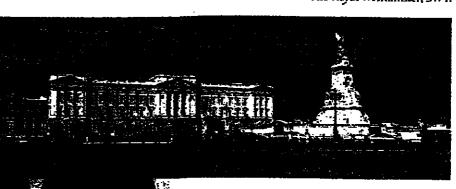
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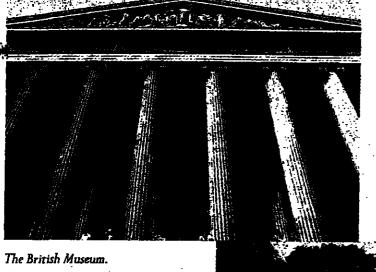


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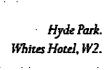
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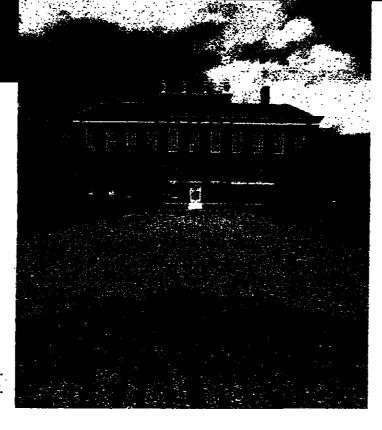
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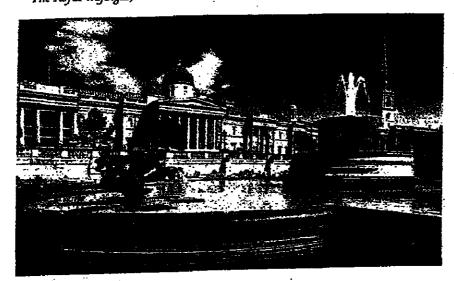




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Korean trial: Ex-leaders, generals and top businessmen convicted of bribes and treason

Former president sentenced to death

RICHARD LLOYD PARRY

sentenced to death by a court in Seoul yesterday for his part in the 1979 military coup. His successor, Roh Tae Woo, 13 forto 22 years at the climax of the most dramatic trial in modern

Both former leaders faced multiple charges for their role in three separate scandals. Their troubles began at the end of last year when first Roh and later Chun were indicted for accepting bribes totalling hundreds of millions of pounds during their periods in office from 1980 to 1993. They were subsequently charged with plot-ting the coup of December 1979 which brought Chun to power, and with the massacre of student pro-democracy each on the black market. demonstrators in the city of

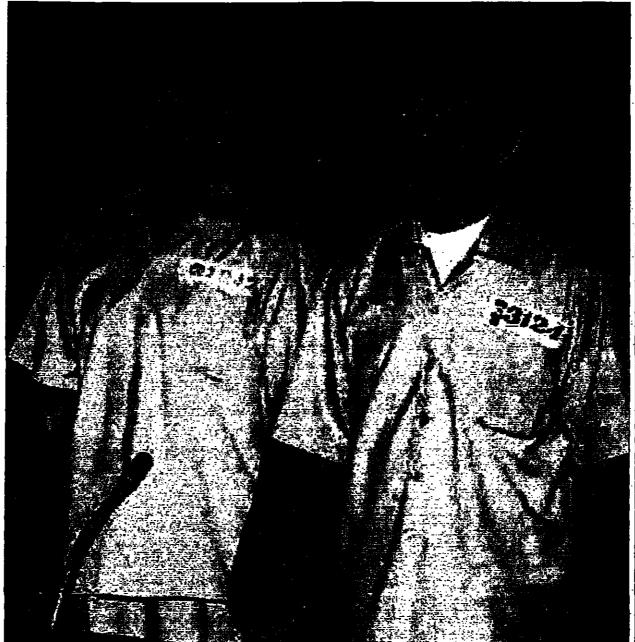
Kwangju in May 1980. mutiny, treason and corrupquitted of murder because it could not be proved that he gave Kim Young Sam, Roh's sucand-a-half years, less than the life sentence sought by the prosecution. Thirteen of their former generals were given sentences of 4 to 10 years; and

several former government of-ficials and nine businessmen, including the chairmen of the The former president of South Korea, Chun Doo Hwan, was sentenced to death by a court terms for their part in the bribery scandals.

In the scale of the evidence, and the rank of the defendants, mer generals, and nine of the country's leading businessmen also received prison terms of up criminal case in South Korean history. There were 34 separate sessions, the judge's verdict was 200 pages long, and a truck had to be used to transport the 160,000 pages of evidence from the prosecutor's office to the Seoul District Court.

Ten full generals, one lieutenant-general, two major generals and three brigadier generals were among the defendants. The symbolic drama of seeing such men in handcuffs and prison overalls was intense. Tickets to the small public gallery changed hands for as much as 1 million won (£800)

clear that the trial had as much Both men were convicted of to do with domestic politics as tion, although Chun was ac- to bring the former presidents the direct order to shoot the Kwangju demonstrators. Roh was sentenced to twenty-two-vears. He spoke of it as a cruyears. He spoke of it as a cru-sade, "to show the people that justice, truth and the law are vividly alive in this land". But, until a few weeks before, he in-



The mighty fallen: Former presidents Chun Doo Hwan (right) and Roh Tae Woo joining hands in court Photograph: AP

Bosnia elections: Izetbegovic's hardline ruling party set to win again

of Kwangju should be left "to the judgement of history".

It turned out to be an inspired U-turn. In spite of insinuations from the opposition. Kim fought off suggestions that he had benefited from Roh's slush fund, and pulled off a narrow majority for his New Korea

hunt, and said the perpetrators Party in April's parliamentary

Although the spirit behind the convictions is undoubtedly just, President Kim has had to cut a few legal corners to achieve them. A special Bill was passed allowing the agents of the coup and the massacre to be prosecuted. The lawyers of

Chun and Roh seized on this legislation to mount a fierce defence. Both men denounced the trial as "a political circus" and, although the South Korean ju-diciary is officially independent, there was never any doubt that they would be convicted. Even if the sentences are

out in full. President Kim, no doubt, will find it useful to pardon or parole his predecessors before his term expires in early 1998. He may even consider it prudent - to execute former presidents who failed to live up to their office would set a upheld on appeal, no one be-drastic, alarming precedent.

SIGNIFICANT SHORTS

Germany's most conservative region, Bavaria, may the taken to the federal Supreme Court because of its new abortion law. The decision by the Justice Minister, new abortion law. The decision by the Justice Minister, Edzard Schmidt-Jortzig, threatens a constitutional crisis and could undermine Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coalition government. The law, which sets strict guidelines for abortion and allows searches of homes and practices of doctors who do abortions, has outraged rights organisations but so far escaped government censure. Bavaria is ruled by the Christian Social Union, which is under Mr Kohl's leadership in Bonn. But the liberal Free Democrats in his cabinet have broken ranks with their coalition partners over the Bavarian law. Mr Schmidt-Jortzig, a Free Democrat, is the Bavarian law. Mr Schmidt-Jortzig, a Free Democrat, is seeking the support of opposition MPs to take the matter to the Supreme Court. Without government support, he needs the backing of a third of all MPs to mount a challenge. The vote is expected this week. *Imre Karacs – Bonn*

Alexander Lebed, Russia's peace-maker in Chechnya, was left in the lurch again by Boris Yeltsin when the President went on holiday rather meet to discuss rebel proposals for a settlement. He left Moscow for his residence at Rus, 60 from the capital even though his envoy, Mr Lebed, had hoped to discuss Chechen terms over the key issue of the republic's status. Although the general's aides said a meeting may yet be held later yesterday, it is becoming clear that the President is keeping Mr Lebed at arm's length, possibly to pressure the Chechen separatist arm's length, possibly to pressure the Chechen separatist leadership, but also because the two men's relationship has cooled. Two months ago, Mr Yeltsin talked of Mr Lebed as his possible successor. Now, alarmed perhaps, by his protégé's growing power and outspoken manner, he remains aloof. Phil Reves - Moscow

iailand hopes to revive the notorious Second World War railway featured in The Bridge on The River Kwai to improve trade and tourism. The plan is in the study stages, but officials hope Japan and its wartime opponents will contribute to reconstruction of the line between Bangkok and Rangoon, in Burma. Reopening the "Death Railway" could rekindle painful memories for survivors. Construction of the 280 miles of track was one of the darkest chapters of the Second World War. Some 16,000 Allied PoWs and 100,000 Asian slave labourers who built the line died of disease, malnutrition, torture and at the hands of Japanese troops. The 1957 film depicted the brutality Japanese troops inflicted on British prisoners building a bridge to serve the railway. AP - Bangiok

A former police colonel accused of multiple murder and other apartheid-era crimes was convicted of five of the killings. Eugene de Kock could still be found guilty of more of the 121 charges against him. Judge Willie van der Merwe only got through the first five charges before stopping for the day. De Kock, 48, commanded a police unit accused of carrying out murders, attacks and intimidation accused of carrying out murders, attacks and intimidation against anti-apartheid figures. He is the highest-ranking police officer to be convicted of apartheid-era crimes against opponents of the former government. AP - Pretoria

investigators arrested a senior police detective in connection with their inquiries into Belgium's child sex scandal. "Georges Zicot was arrested and will be charged with truck theft, insurance fraud and document forgery, Public Prosecutor Michel Bourlet said.

A 17-year-old Egyptian got more than he bargained for when a woman he had spread rumours about bit off his tongue. Alaa Hassan met his fate when the woman, Bothaina Ahmed, 39, persuaded him to help her in the fields in their village in the Nile Delta. She began kissing him and then bit off his tongue. She said Hassan had been spreading rumours about about her alleged immoral behaviour in the village. Reuter - Cairo

A drunken Swede who commandeered a shopping trolley and collided with a car is to be charged with careless driving, police said. The 20-year-old man was travelling downhill in the southern Swedish town of Mottala when his impromptu chariot hit the car at an estimated closing speed of 30mph. He was released from hospital with minor injuries and a serious hangover. Reuter - Stockholm

Nuns held in Sudan for spreading Islam

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Nairobi (Reuter) — Rebels are holding six Catholic missionaries, including three Australian comella, 28, were being held in a mission compound. The SPLA has been fighting

Office in Nairobi said that Australian Sisters Moira Lynch, 73. and Mary Batchelor, 68, American Fr Michael Barton, 48, and Sudanese Fr Raphael Riel, 48, were being held in prison by the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA). Australian Sr Maureen Carey, 52, and Italian Brother Raniero Ia-

nuns, in south Sudan on charges of spying and spreading Islam, the Church said on yesterday.

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The SPLA has been righting three Australian in the SPLA has been righting three areas in the SPLA has been righting three Australian in the SPLA has been righting three areas in the second three areas in the second three areas in the second three The separatists have been weak ened by splits since 1991, and two factions have signed a

formation Office said the SPLA's Nairobi office attributed the detentions to a local commander and added that the

peace pact with Khartoum. The Sudanese Catholic Inmissionaries would be freed.

Muslims in overdrive as Sarajevo prepares to vote

Someone in the Transport Department ordered the name of the ruling Muslim party to be marked along the trunk route to Sarajevo in white paint. The letters SDA appear with striking regularity and official neatness on the tarmac on both sides of the road north from Mostar to Sarajevo.

CHRISTOPHER BELLAMY

At first I did not believe they could be the initials of a party. I thought they might stand for "Sarajevo - direct access", to celebrate the opening of the city, which was under siege for three

and a half years. But no. Vote SDA is what it means. It was as if a senior figure in the British Department of Transport had marked "Vote Conservative" on the carriageway all the way along the M1.

Sarajevans were also mystified by the appearance of the letters a week ago. "I thought the city traffic authorities had introduced some new sign," aid Bakir Arnautovic, an electrician. "It was only when I saw one of those SDA signs on the side of the road that I made the connection. When I did. I realised there is no hope," he oked. "They did a phenomenal ob – to cover all the road from Mostar to Sarajevo in one

In the centre of Sarajevo the SDA – Stranka Demokratske Akcije, or Party of Democratic Action - has posters everywhere, the initials in a strangely oppressive green, with a grey crescent moon. They are regu-

larly put over other posters. Mr Amautovic will vote in next month's poll, with reservations. "These elections are happening too soon," he said. "I like Haris Silaidzic (the former Bosnian Prime Minister and main candidate for the

Muslim seat on the three-man presidency after President Aliia Izetbegovic]. "I don't know what is hidden behind those leaders. I couldn't follow their work in the economy. That is why it is too soon

for these elections." The sophisticated inhabitants of Sarajevo are not typical of Bosnian voters. Tens of thousands of refugees swarmed into the city during the war and are expected to ensure Mr Izetbegovic's hardline SDA wins again, as it did in 1991. Mr Silajdzic's party is likely to come a close second. After the

only lead us carrying a swag-bag into Europe."
Some voters asked what most concerned British voters in an election and I said it was probably the economy and personal prosperity. "I still don't know who I'll vote for," said Neven Cica, a paramedic. "I didn't recognise any party which showed us they had any eco-

vember 1995, native Saraje-

vans have been exposed to

more Western-style media than most Bosnians. But the parties

do not engage in fierce debate

on television or at the hustings.

"It's just a list of candidates. I

night, so there's not much op-

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"Most leaders of the big par-

ties have promised to lead us

into Europe. In fact, they'll

radio," said Mr Arnautovic.



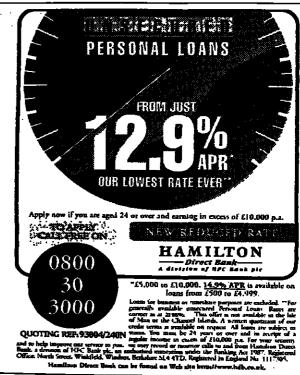
of Vojislav Seselj at a rally in Han Pijesak, east Bosnia

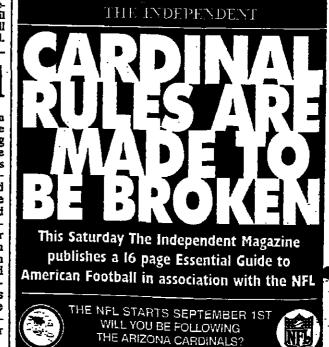
siege, from April 1992 to No-nomic programme which would provide for us a normal life tomorrow. I hope in the next 20 days I will read somewhere or see someone who will present a programme. At the moment I like the Stranka Privrednog Prosperita [Party of Economic have to work until about 10 at Prosperity].

Fifty-five parties are taking part. But the ruling parties - the SDA for the Bosnian Muslims, the HDZ for the Croats and the SDS for the Serbs - are expected to carry the day. The results are seen as less important than the legality of the elections and the way they are carried out.

The Dayton peace deal enshrines the right of people to cross into areas from which they were forced to flee from, in order to vote. In fact, the electoral machinery reinforces the division of Bosnia into two separate "entities". In practice, people who cross the border to vote may waste their votes. "They are only puppets who are used for the campaign," said Mr Cica. "Most refugees have no clue how they will vote and how

it will end finally". The Organisation for Secu-rity and Co-operation in Europe, which is supervising the elections, is bringing in 1,200 monitors. They appeared to be on the verge of cancelling the local elections, represented by one of the five different coloured ballot papers voters will face on 14 September. But under US pressure the provisional election commission delayed making a decision until this week, by which time it will be probably too late to cancel.





Tuna ship mutiny leaves 11 tional waters. Although it is registered in Honduras, it sailed skipper, six other Koreans, A maritime police officer in

RICHARD LLOYD PARRY

Japanese coastguards are investigating an apparent mutiny on a tuna ship which left 11 people dead.

Maritime Safety Agency (MSA) officials received conflicting statements from survivors on the Pesca Mar, a Honduras-registered vessel found drifting 330 miles south of Tokyo on Sunday. It was reported missing on 3

August after the Korean skipper, Choi Ki Taek, radioed to another ship that his Chinese crew members were refusing to work. Later the mutineers apparently threw overboard the three Indonesians and one Chi-

Yesterday the Pesca Mar was under observation by two MSA ships. The mutineers were locked in their cabins, having been overwhelmed by other crew members. "We have never dealt with a mutiny of these proportions," said Tomohiro Innami, of the MSA. "We're getting so many different stories on what happened out there it's going to take a while before we know what went on."

The situation is complicated by a muddle over jurisdiction. The Japanese coastguards intercepted the ship in interna-

Pusan said the mutineers were from the South Korean port of driven to act by harsh working Pusan, and is managed by a conditions. "The captain of the Korean fishing company on boat reported that fishing was behalf of Omani owners. The not possible because ethnic Komajority of the dead were South reans were refusing to work and Koreans, and it is thought the perpetrators were ethnic Koreans from China. Yesterday a diplomat from the South Korean embassy visited the Japanese Foreign Ministry and asked for the ship to be handed over, "With someone

he had set sail for Samoa. The mutiny seems to have occurred immediately, because all communication was lost soon after that." Korean businesses in Asian countries from Vietnam to Indonesia have been dogged by problems with their workdead on the vessel, we can't tow forces. Rising wage expectations the ship anywhere until someamong their own nationals have forced Korean skippers to reone first conducts an investigation," the MSA spokesman cruit increasingly from poorer

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Taste should reel in the video extremes

The banning of a video, Everyday was released of executions. There Operations, showing NHS have been commercial videos garpatients under the knife and selling for £12.99, is a resonant and difficult event. The video sounds disgusting, offering 53 relentless minutes of flesh-slicing, the sort of material that most people flinch from when it comes in brief glimpses in documentaries or hospital dramas. We admire surgeons partly because they can do their work without passing out — "clinical detach-ment" is the phrase. Yet this film of eye operations, gynaecological probings, brain surgery and so on, seems to have been made for a kind of entertainment. Its makers defend it as "serious education" but this begs the question, education for what? Doctors don't need it. Very few patients could stomach the thought of seeing their own operations played back to them. So it seems likely that, if it were released, this film would become, in practice, "education" for strange-minded voyeurs which would be, as the British Medical Association's ethics committee put it, "deeply distasteful".

enough. Whether or not Everyday Operations is widely shown will be decided in the courts. But it is a resonant story, a story of our times, because it follows hard on the heels of other distasteful use of real-life footage for

nered from surveillance cameras, from police car chases and from official footage of the aftermath of murders. As we report today, plans are under way for a video of prostitutes in action.

And these are merely the controversial examples of a much wider use of home videos, surveillance cameras and commercially shot material from news teams that is making its way into the entertainment market. As the video becomes ubiquitous throughout the richer societies, covering much of our public lives (in our offices, shopping streets, parks and sporting facilities) and in many of our private and family lives too, it is very hard to imagine this trend being reversed. It isn't that we are simply a society of voyeurs. We are also, it seems, a society of exhibitionists: the things people are prepared to discuss publicly or have themselves filmed doing would baffle and outrage our grandparents. (And quite a few of our parents and children, too.)

'deeply distasteful".

As a one-off story it would be bizarre enough. Whether or not Everyday result? No, that is already old hat, though not yet in the local video store. With the arrival in Britain of the televised celebrity court case, OJ Simpsonstyle? May God, or at least the Lord Chancellor, preserve us. Whatever the entertainment. Last summer a video limits of possible intrusion are - death,



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pretty near them already.

Part of the reason is the dispersal of broadcasting power that has occurred because of technology. In the old days, the broadcasting world was simple and politically controllable. BBC and ITN news teams regularly shoot pictures of war and disaster, for instance, which they deem unbroadcastable. But had they gone ahead and broad-cast them, offending enough MPs, they would have faced a home secretary with ample powers to punish them. Now satellites have the power to

operations, disaster-we are, it seems, beam hundreds of channels down, cutting across national boundaries. The Internet has created a cyberbazaar through which the foulest and most degraded videos and fantasies can be exchanged. And the comparatively crude technology of the videorecorder, combined with hire shops on every town corner, provides a huge consumer and retail network for the lesser stuff.

to intervene are spitting in the wind. We are a filmed society, saturated by recording. And if the film is available browsers. Absolute censorship is

Humans are an incorrigibly nosy lot part of the reason for our relative success on this planet – and it is a little too late to legislate the trait away. So if the material is going to be readily available, and the market for it isn't going to disappear, isn't the struggle against this form of voyeurism and exploitation a forlorn one? Are not politicians talking about taste an anachronism in the free-choice technological democracy of the 1990s?

We certainly shouldn't be frightened of curiosity and we shouldn't think that everyone's standards must be the same. But an idea of taste is very useful even to diverse societies, though precisely what "distasteful" means will change all the time. "Taste" does in a delicate, private, cheap and subtle way what law and government do so expensively and crudely: it sets social limits, helping us rub along together, and so improves human happiness. So to shun these films, harangue their makers and ridicule the people who buy them is useful. Nor are politicians entirely defenceless; laws on privacy and copyright have some effect, as have the residual powers of censorship. On the face of it, politicians who try which have kept some of the most degrading material away from casual cinema-goers and video-store

in a free-market country, it will be mar- impossible and undesirable. So keted by someone to someone. although the battle to control the worst excesses of technologically advanced voyeurism cannot be won, it is a battle worth fighting. Lose your sense of what is tasteful and you are a

Camilla 4 Charles

Namilla Parker Bowles is, it seems, rather keen on Prince Charles, and he on her. This is not, admittedly, new news. It is very old news - though readers of The Independent have been spared lengthy tracts on the subject by those port-complexioned giants of modern journalism, the "Royal-watchers". But it seems the tabloids are generally against her on the grounds that she is (they say) unattractive, divorced and partly responsible for the end of Diana's fairy-tale. But what is a fairy-tale? What about the story of two ageing people who once adored one another, then made bad marriages, then divorced and now, rediscovering their old passion, are hurrying to correct their original mistake? It isn't a saccharine romance. But it is a touching enough tale and we should leave them alone to get on with it - so long as they do not lecture the rest of us in the future.

• LETTERS TO THE EDITOR •

Police heavy mob reclaims the streets

Sir: Living in Italy in the 1980s, I witnessed what was known as the "strategy of tension". This was a campaign by fascist subversives to perpetrate acts of terror in order to elicit law-and-order measures that would erode civil rights and bring the Italian state closer to the authoritarian model they dreamed

> Naturally, I never expected to see anything like it in action in Britain, and I still don't, but I saw something disturbingly reminiscent of it on the streets of Brighton on Saturday, when a peaceful protest was brought to a violent conclusion by police tactics.

The Reclaim the Streets protest there (Significant Shorts, 26 August) started in a carnival-like atmosphere, heightened by balloons and giant puppets, with people of all ages, including children, taking part. Even the police on duty, who almost outnumbered the demonstrators, appeared to be enjoying

Although the protesters blocked one of the town's main thoroughfares, and indeed were allowed to do so, the demonstration, and the police response, remained essentially good-humoured until someone in the police hierarchy apparently gave the order to send in the heavy boys. The result was not only a hidicrously high number of arrests and a shockingly high number of injuries, but also a diversion of the media coverage from the traffic

issue to the law-and-order issue.
In Britain, fortunately, the police are not above the law. Whoever ordered the blood-letting in Brighton could be identified and held responsible for his actions, whether they resulted from conspiracy or from a mere balls-up. Such action, however unlikely, would restore the reputation of our police force as well as reinforce our right to demonstrate peacefully in our streets. BRYAN MURPHY

Risky ventures in the Third World

Sir; Hamish McRae is quite right that Clare Short's post as minister for overseas development in a future Labour Cabinet brings with it great influence ("This really is the best job in the world", 16 August). But few in the developing world would agree with him that official development finance and private-sector "emerging market" portfolio investment are tantamount to the same thing. While the former brings with it a degree of public accountability, in the latter it is generally lacking.

London-based equity portfolio investors, for example, currently finance ecologically damaging timber companies engaged in the logging of biodiverse virgin rainforests in Brazil, Papua New Gumea, Guyana and the Solomon Islands. The financing of a privatesector project such as the Bakun dam in Sarawak (turned down by the World Bank) will involve the removal of 10,000 tribal people from their homelands. A deputation of City investors to the Bakun site was recently met from their helicopter by indignant local

Few social businesses involving



water purification or health care are ever listed on emerging stock markets. In contrast, at least

directly at the greatest need. The future challenge for Clare Short is to ensure that public-sector finance is used to back privatesector mechanisms whose goals are sustainable development and social equity. The UK aid programme is best used to back micro-lending such as that undertaken by the Garmeen Bank of Bangladesh, or the transfer to "clean" technology. MARK CAMPANALE East Twickenham,

official flows can be targeted

Power stations face competition

Sir: The Chairmen's Group of Electricity Consumers' Committees wants another investigation of the power generation market ("Consumers call for power investigation", 21

The generating sector of the electricity industry is increasingly competitive and there is more competition to come. When the 22 million smaller customers are allowed to choose their electricity supplier (1998 or soon afterwards) the impact should be felt not only in the supply business but at the power stations, too. That must be a better way of promoting competition than an inquiry by the Monopolies and Mergers

But the clamour for yet another investigation may be simply a result of having committee meetings during a hot summer. I wonder if the Consumers' Committees'

offices have air conditioning? Of course, I hope that they do.

DAVID PORTER. Chief Executive Association of Power Producers

ID cards the

no-fuss way Sir: Not counting my visiting cards, my wallet contains eight plastic cards, each with some identifying information on it in a form sufficiently secure to allow me access to services from my bank, my grocer, the Automobile Association and other traders and associations. None of them cost me anything to obtain.

In France already, and in the UK soon, these cards will contain chips capable of holding more information more securely. The Royal Bank of Scotland reports that adding a photograph increases the cost by £1.

If we are to implement positive individual identification on a national scale then it would be far more sensible to include the national ID minimum dataset in each card issued by whichever organisations we already need cards from than to impose a new and expensive one upon us ("Ministers accused of ID card stealth", 23 August). Including the data in a public format could even be made a voluntary addition - tick the box on the credit card application to include National Identification if you wish. Dr AK MIDGLEY

Sir: Regarding myself as firstly Scottish, secondly Enropean and only thirdly British, were I to obtain one of the new identity cards complete with Union Flag, I would be misrepresented. It surely cannot have been the Home Secretary's intent to provide me with a false identity – can it? ALASTAIR GEMMELL

We don't have everyday ops, how about the Esther Rantzen show?'

Fragile treasures beneath Bosnia

Sir: As a potholer and speleologist l am categorically opposed to any blasting in the Karstic area ("Bosnia's Big Bang alarms the mayor", 21 August). Bosnia is a part of the Yugoslay "Dinaric Karst", a very fragile limestone Devonian formation with

stalagmites, stalactites and other natural beauties underground, and typical Karstic landscape, wildlife and flora on the surface. All this will be totally destroyed when the subterranean formations crash in the detonations. The subterranean waters, rivers and lakes will change their courses, and the reserves of drinking water will disappear - the whole country will turn into a moonlike desert.

Blasting ammunition dumps in a Karstic region will be a catastrophe. The Dinaric Karst is of the same value as the Mammoth Karst system in Kentucky. This is an outcry against human madness. Dr E COURFALIK Friends of the Earth London N11

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Best hospitals for breast cancer

Sir: I must correct one seriously misleading statement in your story about the recently published breast cancer guideline (13 August). The incorrect statement was that outcomes are better when women are treated at hospitals

with throughputs of 1,000 breast cancer patients per year. In fact, there is no evidence that treatment in large hospitals leads to better outcomes, although women managed by surgeons who treat fewer than 30 cases per year have been shown to fare worse. The new recommendations suggest that each specialist breast cancer team should manage at least 100 new cases per year. The figure in your article was ten times higher than it should have

Dr ARABELLA MELVILLE Kirk Hammerton, North Yorkshire

murdered priest

Sir: Paul Vallety ("The killing of a priest", 15 August) calls the murder of the Rev Christopher Gray "the breaking of a taboo" and writes that the only killing of a clergyman in Britain in recent times was of a Catholic priest in Southwark two years ago. All this is true, but perhaps we over-idealise the past. I can never forget the day – 1938 or 1939 – when I read the headline

Remembering a

Sir: I found "The brave new metropolitans" (20 August) extremely offensive. But then I live in central London. As do tens of thousands of other families. What's to pioneer? Yes, the centre of London is a

The real London

"London Vicar Shot Dead" and

Sykes, and that he had been shot by

a man he had disturbed robbing the

A few years earlier, Mr Sykes

where I was a Sunday school child.

My chief memory of him was his air of conviction as he gave out the

first line of the hymn, "Jesus lives!

No longer now, Can thy terrors,

Perhaps those now mourning Christopher Gray may draw some comfort from knowing that he will

years on, by some of those who are

now small children in the Liverpool

be remembered, more than 50

MARGOT LAWRENCE

Edgware Middlesex

had been a curate at a church

realised with horror that the

murdered man was the Rev C

church poor box.

death, appal us".

brilliant place but it is mostly the people who live here who make it so vibrant. Who needs the approval of yuppies? Their arrogance is matched only by their ignorance of London. The nursery praised in the piece has nothing to do with the Thomas Coram Foundation, although they have consistently provided moral and financial support. It was established for local children by local parents. I was one of them. FRANCISCA COOPER

Ban car alarms or expect rage

Sir. The audible car alarm has become an appalling blight upon our urban existence.

They now cease to serve any useful function. Their purpose, as an alert to possible theft, is now largely, if not completely, ignored. The owner is usually absent and the only people disturbed are those living in the street who are unable to switch it off.

Recently in my street the police were called at 3am to "attend" an alarm "audibly disfunctioning". Helpful and polite though they were, they were unable under present legislation to obtain access to turn it off. In plain English, they were not allowed to break in.

I believe it is beyond time for legislation banning these obsolete accessories, preferably before we have a case of "alarm rage". CRISPIN CALDICOTT London W2

You ruined my bank holiday

Sir: This is outrageous: on a bank holiday, those of us who are the back-bone of the community (fully employed, respectable citizens) look to *The Independent* to provide the well-earned distractions from the rat-race which we deserve. Instead, you publish a full-page feature called "Cycle Logical Warfare" (26 August), suggesting that my generation (born 1940) is locked in to a downward spiral of car-dominated consumerism which does "criminal damage to the planet" and "imprisons our children in their homes", and that

our lives are "without soul". Furthermore, you add insult to injury by printing, on the opposite page, a picture of the leader of the Labour Party and the President of the United States (both good consumers, no doubt, and looking more like entertainers than statesmen) above the legend "Bankrupt Democrats".

Shame! What does The *rdependent* think it's doing? Luckily, I have some alternative holiday reading: Christopher Hill's Liberty Against the Law, which I saw reviewed in The Independent on Sunday yesterday. All about that upstart Winstanley. If his ideas were put into practice, there wouldn't be any bank holidays. Surely *The Independent* isn't suggesting that we should expect to enjoy life all the time? Totally irresponsible journalism. I like it. DAVID KUHRT

King for a day

Sir. When most public services are subject to competitive tendering. and all properties are expected to turn a profit, why not ask for bids for a five-year contract to be king

or queen?
There are the lucrative
sponsorship possibilities of Royal
Warrants, palaces to be let out and used for corporate entertaining, and the obvious international prestige. The House of Windsor, Rupert Murdoch and others of the fabulously rich might be prepared to pay large amounts to be king for five years. Instead of paying them to do the job, or, as proposed now, allowing them to have free use of the estate ("The Firm contemplates the ultimate privatisation", 20 August), let them pay us for the privilege. JOSEPH HANLON

Scientology is as worthy of belief as Christianity or Judaism. True or false?

When you're suffering from a nasty touch of the dawkins, all religions seem equally nonsensical. Andrew Brown wonders how a reasonable person might distinguish the good from the bad

named after the distinguished atheist. This is not the ordinary cafard which descends like a cloud of ravening horseflies when I am trying to pay attention to an archbishop's thoughts. It is not even the sense of being stuck in a tumble drier half full of rocks that overwhelms me when I read papal encyclicals all the way through and try to follow their logic. It is worse than that. The full-blown dawkins is the state where there seems nothing to choose between any religion. They are all insane, all untrue - they might as well all

The Aztecs make a wonderful subject for a student of religion since - nowadays - they have neither temples, priests, nor libel lawyers. They never had much use for libel lawyers way, preferring stone knives, with which they chopped out the hearts of anyone who displeased them. It was quite an elaborate ceremony and would not nowadays get past the animal rights people if you were nasty enough to perform it on a yeal calf. Yet the Aztecs were undoubtedly sincere in believing that if they did not perform the ceremony every day, the sun would refuse to rise. And they

think I've got the were certain that God wanted dawkins; pray for me. It them to do these things.

for supposing they were wrong? If one of my children announced that they were becoming an Aztec fundamentalist, how could I argue that I would prefer him to become a Buddhist, a Christian or Mus-When I have the dawkins, I

believe that there is no rational argument to make; that religious are simply beliefs that people catch, and there can be no reasonable grounds to choose one over any other. This is not to say there are no reasons for seeing some religions as more desirable than others: there are rational. anthropological arguments to be made from the side effects, so to speak, of certain religious beliefs. The Hindu peasant who believes his bullock is sacred will not kill it however bad the famine, and thus may be able to plough when the drought finally ends, whereas his more rational neighbour, who ate the bullock. will starve in the end because he cannot plough. Thus do the gods reward those who follow

Even the Aztecs, as the anthropologist Marvin Harris pointed out, had a very ecologically sound religion. Central America in their time had no sources of animal protein larger

ers' hearts, which were burned. the rest of the sacrificed carcas went to feed the soldiery. This protein bonus kept them motivated, as well as strong the chief source of sacrifices was captured enemy prisoners, so any soldier on this diet will have known that surrender really was the option of the last resort.

However, the Aztec religion

did not survive competition with Christianity. This is not just because flint weapons are no match for firearms. It was also because the Aztec church could not survive disestablishment. Without coercion, people found it unconvincing. So here is one clue as to how we might those that have lasted longest and in the most varied circumstances are likely to have something to recommend them, even if it is not immediately appar-

Religions do compete and do disappear. It is one of the oddest things about them. The disappearance is obvious the Aztecs, the Romans, the Greeks, even the druids, have all gone. We do not really know what they believed, or how they believed it; only what they did. Almost everywhere that belief in many gods met belief in one god. monotheism triumphed. This pattern is odd. It suggests that undoubtedly had experiences than a guinea-pig; and though religious beliefs do refer to son that validated their beliefs. They their god might get the prison-kind of metaphysical reality. religious beliefs do refer to some



have also struggled with each other. All have developed rational arguments to keep the waverers within the fold, and to convert unbelievers. St Thomas Aquinas's great summary of the Christian religion was writ-Muslims. In fact all the great religions that we now see have been shaped by competition with others. All of them can give good reasons why the choice of religious belief can be made reasonably and is impor-

tant. And yet, when one has the dawkins, all these reasons look ridiculous. The mere existence of interminable disputes seems to guarantee that there is something profoundly wrong about all the arguments. This mood need last no

longer than it takes to look at some real examples. Even within religions it is impossible to suspend judgement. An attitude of impartial and indiscriminate scorn cannot long survive contact with Ian Paisley or Morris Cerullo. Surely there must be Christians better than this. Compare the Dalai Lama with the staring-eyed cultists of some Western Buddhist sects, and there is no doubt which is the better Buddhist. I even have a soft spot for the late Ayatollah Khomeini, ever since I read his letter attempting to convert President Gorbachev to Islam. It was remarkably persuasive, lucid, and reasonably argued. Indeed, my own problem with Islamic fundamentalists is that

is. Their arguments are by no fault is that they lack the paradoxical quality which any explanation of the real world would

But it is almost always a mistake to judge any religion by the apparent sanity of the things it asks us to believe. Otherwise there would be no way of distinguishing between, say, ortho-

together entirely by chance. As tologist you have to believe, or

a scientologist; the German announced that his country is at war with "the giant octopus of scientology". The German foes of scientology are claiming that its beliefs are so absurd it cannot be a religion. The scientologists

side the film Mission:Impossible

because its star, Tom Cruise, is

so their beliefs cannot be absurd. Both are wrong. To become a senior scien-

claim, with neutral academic

backing, that they are a religion,

It is a mistake to judge any religion by the apparent sanity of what it asks us to believe

the scientologists are pointing out every chance they get at the moment, both have been persecuted by Germans this century. But to make this claim involves a wilful blindness to the distinction between democratic see why the organisation and totalitarian governments. regards the psychiatric profesand totalitarian governments. There is no evidence that the German authorities at the moment are behaving unjustly. None the less, there is clearly a considerable revulsion against scientology at all levels of German political life. The German post bank is refusing to handle deposits from the cult; various local authorities are refusing to allow contracts to go to businesses controlled by scientologists; the youth wing of the Christian Democratic Union

pretend to believe, that we are all reincarnated alien spirits. persecuted by the ghosts of previous incarnations, which attach themselves to us in the form of body hairs. One can sion as a hostile conspiracy. On the other hand to become Chief Rabbi one must believe. or pretend to believe, that Moses wrote the entire Pentateuch under dictation from God, including the bits where his own death is mentioned. We cannot distinguish between these two belief systems on the point of probability.

Longevity is a better bet.

saying that they address unchanging human concerns and come up with answers that remain realistic.

A new religion tends to argue first that it is true, and second that its adherents prosper. A really confident sect will argue the second point first and loudest, as evangelical Christianity and scientology do now. But they only become trustworthy after they have abandoned the second point almost entirely.

Under the stress of time and chance and suffering, religions change, and sometimes quite radically. Sometimes this is because of conflicts within their own belief systems, where contradictions suddenly appear. Christianity accepted slavery for most of its history, and had good biblical reasons for doing so. When finally it became apparent to Christians - and it was overwhelmingly Christians who ended the slave trade - that the hiblical defences of slavery could not be reconciled with other parts of the gospel message, then slavery went. A similar thing now is happening to Christianity and patriarchy, something which would have come as unwelcome news to the great majority of saints through the ages

Orthodox Judaism, too, though it may reject historical greater shock in its time; the final destruction of the The Cambridge theologian Jerusalem Temple in AD70 and dawkins have que Professor John Bowker refers its replacement by scattered now, thank you.

essential to the maturity of religions. Who can doubt that Judaism is better and richer now without the Temple - and that anyone who expects the Temple to be rebuilt, as prophesied, is probably looking forward to a nuclear war, since its remains are buried beneath the second holiest site in the Mus-

lim world. The dangers that bad religions can produce show that we must distinguish between good and bad religions. But

second sort of evidence, written in the lives of the believers. Religious all carry an ethical freight. They are injunctions to behave as well as to believe, and, in so far as the two can be disentangled, the behaviour is probably more important than the beliefs. But they cannot be very far disentangled. To a large extent the behaviour is the meaning of the belief. A Pharisaic injunction like "love your neighbour as yourself cannot be properly understood without being acted on. The action shows you have under-

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By contrast, the action that shows you believe and have understood doctrines of scientology is to hand over money to the heirs of L Ron Hubbard, the science fiction writer who made it all up. I think I can see which religion dawkins have quite gone away

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A wee word about the Scots

Scotland really is a different country. They have a different agenda up here. The lead stories in the Scottish papers, for example, are not generally the same as down south. For a week or two there has been a series of revelations about sexual goings-on at Celtic Football Club (youth managers in the past being accused of molesting younger have hit the headlines in England. Imagine if it were revealed that young players at Manchester United had in the past been sexually harassed by the staff. Imagine what a hooha would arise. Manchester United would be so embarrassed they would probably change their playing strip again. But it being Celtic, the matter comes under the heading of foreign news.

Football priorities are predictably different, too. On Sunday afternoon I was in a pub called the Conan Doyle at the top of Broughton Street in Edinburgh, trying to persuade the bar staff to put up a poster for our show.

of Tchaikovsky - Sherlock Holmes Mystery'. That's why I've come to the Conan Doyle!"
"Well, I don't know, I'll have to ask the boss when he comes in...")

putting up Fringe posters."
"Ah, but this is different.

Look at the title - The Death

And there on the bar TV set

was a live football match on Sky, Manchester United v Blackburn Rovers, so I sa and watched it idly for 10 minutes until a large and rather drunken Scot came in and stood at the bar. He looked at the TV. An idea came to him. He commandeered the remote control and turned the TV over to

"Hey!" we shouted, in a cowardly whisper.
"It's OK," he said, "I just

want to see the Hearts result." After a long wait while he drunkenly tried to find it, but could only locate all the cheap holiday offers in the world, it finally flashed up.

Aberdeen 4 Hearts 0. The man slumped on a bar ("I'm sorry, we're not stool.



Miles Kington

"Oh, shite," he said. "Oh, I canna believe it." He sat staring at the screen in a coma, for minutes.

"Could we have our football back please ?" someone said. He turned round and

"Don't give me a hard time," he said aggressively. It was an exciting moment. We were in a land where Hearts was more important than any team like Manchester United. We were about to get in a fight with a drink-inflamed Scot. And we were also in a land where they had pubs with names you wouldn't get down south. In England they have pubs named after

Sherlock Holmes, who was

English. In Scotland they have pubs named after Conan Doyle, who was an Edinburgh man. Vive la difference. Another difference is in the

language, even in newspapers. Regularly I encounter words in print up here which I have never seen before. "Stoater" and "tanking" are words I have met before, and learnt the meaning of, but already this time around I have come across "bufty" and "bampot" in reputable papers, and have no idea what they mean.

The clincher came yesterday when the papers led off with two attacks on media fig-ures, one by the BBC's Colin Cameron on Kate Adie, the other by John Ware on Esther Rantzen. Mr Cameron was cross about Kate Adie's "forensic" approach to the reporting of the Dunblane shootings, while John Ware was scathing about Esther Rantzen's report on a London hospital.

I wonder if you can guess which news item got more headlines in the English papers, and which got more headlines up here in ScotEsther Rantzen headline news down south.

Far be it for me to say which was the more important, but there is one point I would like to pick up, and that is Colin Cameron's use of the word "forensic". I think he meant to say that Kate Adie was cool and detached, impartial and not sympathetic. But this is not what "forensic" means. It means "used for legal purposes". Forensic science is science used for the purposes of determining someone's guilt or innocence, surely? A person can't actually be forensic, and I certainly don't think he meant that Kate Adie had rushed into Dunblane to determine guilt or innocence. I suppose that "forensic" is going the same way as "clinical", from a nice technical term to a meaning of detachment (the same way that chronic" has gone from usefully meaning "long-term" to uselessly meaning "really

Still, it's nice to know that Scots get words wrong too.

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the commentators

*We need the BBC, and Auntie needs her friends

he tone of the Edinburgh International Television Festival was set in the opening words by the chairman, an independent producer, his introduction to the lecture by the BBC's director general was not so much a warm welcome as a char-grilling by

At the end of his speech the director-general called for the support of the television industry for the BBC's appeal to the Government for the first real increase in the licence fee for 10 years. In days gone by there might have been a rallying round in such an audience. But now his appeal fell upon stonier ground, dertainly no instinctive upsurge of loyalty to Auntie. A new air of lethal and serious competition has entered into this inclustry that barely existed in the old world of the cosy and somewhat incestuous terrestrial channels. Natural sympathy for the

old public service ethos is waning.

Afterwards I found a huddle of ITV producers and executives spluttering and fuming among themselves. Why, they demanded to know, should they support the BBC? Where was the BBC under Michael Checkland, back in 1992, when ITV desperately needed support against the savage selling-off to

There is enough skimping in broadcasting – let's keep the standard bearer the highest bidder of ITV franchises

in the Broadcasting Act?
The BBC stood aside and said nothing as ITV money was scooped out of programme-making into Treasury coffers. At the time the BBC was keeping its nose clean with the Government to see the seeping its nose clean with the Government to ensure a

renewal of its own Charter. The next day at a session to discuss the speech, a vote was taken on whether the BBC deserved a bigger licence fee or not. It was almost too close to call, though the moderator opined that the ayes had it - just. It is a small sign of the big battle ahead.

But the television festival is not the best testing ground of public opinion. It is the industry's annual forum for networking and bitching. back-scratching and back-stabbing, with burgeoning battalions of inde-pendent hopefuls mingling among the Masters of the Networks. The bars burble with deals, pleas and proposals. "It's a winning format, absolutely." "Remember me? I wrote to you a mouth ago ..."
Elbows are tugged, sleeves plucked, a look of frenetic overkeenness

gleams in too many eyes.



ness, where programme ideas and scripts lie in unattended piles on the desks of the powerful while phone calls go unreturned. Last year 32,000 young people entered higher education media courses, God help them, for it is a world growing tougher every year. A Granada executive admitted he was making programmes for Sky for under £5,000 an hour, which drew gasps of incredulity. Squeeze, skimp and cut is the story almost everywhere. That is why it is so important to make sure the BBC gets the money to make high-quality programmes.

But raising the question at all is dangerous, reminding people of the licence fee's curious status as a regressive poll tax. Not surprisingly David Elstein, director of pro-

grammes at Rupert Murdoch's Sky, made the running in the debate. People should not have to pay it, he said baldly. It doesn't matter that Sky revenues will outstrip the BBC's this year. Let the BBC offer itself to subscribers. The BBC has no divine right, it must find its natural market. And what (crocodile tears here) of the 750 single mothers who go to prison every year for non-payment of their licence?

At the moment a team of inspec tors sent in by the Government is examining the BBC's books. Over the next few months a number of seductive alternatives to the licence fee will emerge again from rightwing think-tanks and disingenuous competitors out to bamboozle those politicians with an itch to mend something that isn't broken.

One idea puts a gleam in every commercial broadcaster's eye - a central public service funding agency should commission good programmes right across the airwaves. The BBC would cease to be this monstrous 24,000-strong institution that is often both hell to work for and hell to manage. (Its morale has been "at an all time low" for-

ever, along with the NHS, universities and schools. It is the fate of institutions employing the extra-intelligent to have a miserable and bolshy workforce: they could all run it better themselves). Instead of the BBC networks putting out good but uncommercial programmes such as Panorama or Our Friends In The North, they might be funded and farmed out to anyone on any net-

Other suggestions abound, but each would quickly lead to a declining quality, as has happened across Europe's public broadcasters where other means of funding have been

The BBC's divine right is what gets up the nose of other broadcasters - its sanctimoniousness, its arrogance, its size and power, its dominance. It is well and truly disliked and resented by many broadcasters and politicians. But it is loved and supported by the great majority of the population - and they like it a lot better than they like politicians. It is just about the only thing left that Britain does really

well, better than anyone else. The licence fee may have draw-

backs. But, as Churchill said about democracy, no one has come up with a better idea. It is also astonishingly good value. Half of all listening and viewing is to the BBC - all for considerably less than the cost of one packet of cigarettes every week, a week's supply of the Sun, or the £300 it costs for a full Sky subscription. As for the fate of those who end up in prison for non-payment, that is part of the scandal of the way courts deal with debtors - not the BBC's fault. If a future government wants to subsidise television for the poorest that's down to them.

But knives are being sharpened. The Murdoch press, ever eager to promote his real commercial interests in television, is to be watched. (The Times immediately trumpeted gleefully on the front page "Birt's Call For More Money is Rejected", chording over apparent instant-negative reaction by both Labour and Tories). Both parties are terrified of offending Murdoch before the election, and probably after it too. The BBC will need those who are essentially its friends, inside and outside the industry, to bury their hatchets and admit that British broadcasting quality has always depended on the BBC acting as its guy rope and standard bearer.

The Royal road to unwedded bliss

the Princess of Wales will be spending a quiet day alone in Kensington Palace tomorrow as her marriage officially ends. Her ex-husband will be with the family at Balmoral. Frankly, what a boring end to the marriage that has provided such amusement to the British people for the past 15 years. The Queen granted a public holiday for the Royal Wedding, so she should do the same on Royal Divorce Day after the endless documentaries, paparazzi abuse, affairs, non-affairs and Will Carling we have all had to endure.

The Prince and Princess would have no shortage of things to do to make their divorce go with a bang. Ceremonics, parties, greetings cards are now all run-of-the-mill for parting couples. Their first port of call should be Divorce Magazine, newly launched in America. The first issue offers helpful hints on getting through that difficult transitional period. "Haven't been on a date in 15 years? We'll show you some great new ways of meeting people in the 1990s," blares one headline, although according to most royal scandals that's one area in which neither Charles nor Diana needs practice.

If not content with her £15m settlement, Diana could leaf through to money matters to stave off boredom: "If you suspect your spouse is hiding assets, here's help finding them - or satisfying yourself that there's nothing to hide." And for Charles there is the indispensable: "How to Do It: The allsports, swimsuit-illustrated Bachelor Guy's Guide to Housekeeping".

But what the royal couple's devoted public needs is public display of lack of affection. The obvious divorce fashion accessory these days is the divorce ceremony - far more satisfactory than a short announcement in court. The Church of England still does not officially condone this, although in May Canon Michael Woods sought to get the practice of "divorce ceremonies" officially recognised by the Norwich Diocesan Synod. The proposal was voted down two to one.

As a future head of the Church of England, Charles might be reluctant to approach the Unitarian Church but they do have such ceremonies well organised. One possible service begins: 'After much effort, pain and anger Charles and Diana have decided that they no longer wish to be husband and wife. They still wish to be friends and to respect each other and care about each other." Well, we know they no

A simpler way might be just to send a card. "All Good Things Must End ... So Do The Bad Ones. Congratulations on Your Divorce" is one example.

But there is one way that both Charles and Diana could profitably spend the day. A Canadian company offers the service of removing exes from photographs "without a trace". Both of them could enjoy Wednesday digitally expunging each other's features and remembering John Kenneth Galbraith's advice "The happiest time in anyone's life is just after the first divorce".

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Big money deals are starving pop

So, \$80m for REM. But that leaves little change for tomorrow's acts, says Andy Gill

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The arrangement, which nets the Athens, Georgia-based group a cool \$80m for only five albums, is one of the biggest recording deals ever struck in the music industry, confirming the band's position as one of the most popular acts in the

world today. It is not, however, the largest deal ever struck with a recording artist. That, like most record-breaking feats in the record business, remains in Michael Jackson's domain, achough the \$890m multimedia deal he signed with Sony in 1991 involved not only Jack-

RISING RECORD DEALS Janet Jackson George Michael Disamboris/Andin Michael Jackson Sory Warrier Bros Madonna EMI:

rudging by the colossal son's own work but also the less film colony that the studio in deal signed this week rights to other artists' publish- question can attract the talent. Much the same holds for ers Records and the viously purchased, most notably

As with English football transfers, the Nineties have been the silly season for music-industry deals. Observers were shocked in 1991 when Virgin Records signed Janet Jackson for \$50m and The Rolling Stones for \$30m - although the deals were explained as a means whereby Richard Branson could "fatten up" his Virgin record label with only a few money-spinning stars (Genesis, Phil Collins), before selling it off for

In the film industry, appearances are all-important: accordingly, telephone-number deals are often struck simply to demonstrate to the Los Ange-

conflict between his original punk ideals and the immense around half a billion pounds. success that would eventually lead him to suicide, once regretted being unable to handle the fame as well as REM's frontman Michael Stipe, whom he referred to as virtually a saint. It's that saintliness, as much as anything, on which Warner has taken up its option: in negotiations with young indie or "college-rock" bands, it will doubtless prove invaluable.

But, as with English football once more, big-money deals tell only part of the story. Every \$80m that a label is paying a Janet Jackson or REM is \$80m less in the kitty to develop those young indie bands attracted by subsidy - through tours, adver-

the music business. When CBS,

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Dylan's position as an artist of

great probity, which would be of incalculable help in attract-

So, too, with Warner and

REM, lauded as much for their

humanitarian ethos and envi-

ronment-friendly attitude as

for their music. Nirvana's Kurt

Cobain, deeply troubled by the

ing other artists.



Cool dude: Warner wants REM's front-man, Michael Stipe, for his saintly image. But new bands are squeezed out

the big-name artists. When rock music first became a global mega-bucks business, record labels would routinely sign bands to six-album deals, relying on their artist & repertoire (A&R) departments to develop the band's career over the full course of the contract. Rare indeed was the debut album that made money, or was intended to do anything other than introduce the group's name to the public; indeed there would be several years of

tising, marketing and further recordings - before the company expected to see a return on its investment.

Now, new bands sign deals for singles, and if the first single doesn't chart under its own steam, they may never get to make an album. It's a myopic, short-term strategy that has resulted in the erosion of the major labels' A&R departments, whose traditional talent-spotting duties are now carried out by independent companies such as Creation and Go! Discs -

which are then forced to sign licensing deals with the majors to finance the development of acts. such as Oasis, that break through

to wider audiences. It's a remarkably similar situation to that of the early days of rock 'n' roll, when local hits on small American labels would be picked up by major distributors for national release. Then again, the stakes weren't quite as high in those days. When Sam Phillips sold Elvis Presley's contract to RCA, he received the princely sum of \$35,000.

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modern art has one outstanding characteristic: it is not mimetic. That is, it does not seek to create an illusionistic representation of the visible world but rather to establish its own reality as an independent object - its ary some in the jargon. With the goes a corresponding emphasis on the purely formal or applies on the purely formal or aesthetic aspect of the work its character as an autonomous structure of line, form, colour, texture. In mod-

ern art, everyday reality may be referred to, or evoked, in ways ranging from more or less distorted or stylised representations to the direct incorporation in the work of "real" objects or materials. Or it may be excluded altogether in favour of some form of abstraction - perhaps the most purely modern art.

Paradoxically, the evolution of art towards this condition can be traced back to the 19th century rejection of the Renaissance tradition of "history" or "high art", by then largely debased in the hands of the academies, in favour of a direct engagement with the real world, especially nature. lace as any to locate a beginting of this process; in 1828, he wrote bitterly of those who preferred the shaggy posteriors of a satyr to the moral feel-

ing of landscape. He was refer ring to the members of the Royal Academy who had just failed to elect him to the Academy in favour of William Etty, a painter of "high art" pictures, the ostensible moral content of which, or simply their use of high art motifs (eg nymphs and satyrs), screened their real salaciousness.

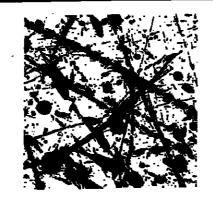
Constable's comment evinces a crucial aspect of modern art - its claiming of the moral high ground, initially for an art based on the truth of nature or the everyday realities of life. Later, in the 20th century, art claimed this moral eminence, precisely in the degree to which it was not an son and could be seen as an embodiment or emblem of truth - because it was true to itself as a medium and true also to the artist's personal vision, unsullied by the demands of patrons or, indeed,

any material considerations. Let's return to the apparent paradox of a line from Constable's rural landscapes to, say, Mondrian blocks of primary colours. Constable's whole practice was based on working direct from nature; yet rather than producing a smooth, illusionistic image, he found ways to represent what he saw in marks of paint that had a real, physical, anti-illusionistic presence. His con-temporaries in England (but



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not in France, where he was admired) were completely baffled by this, together with the apparent artlessness, the lack of reference to tradition, of his approach to the motif: "My art flatters nobody by imitation, it courts nobody by smoothness, it tickles nobody by petiteness ... how then can I hope to be

Constable had no successors in England, but in France later in the century the artists who became known as the Impressionists took up the radical practice (instigated by Constable) of painting a whole "finished" picture out of doors. The result seems to have been an increasing focus on the motif as a pattern of light and colour, an increasing emphasis on the brushstroke, and an increasing degree of abstraction (as, for example, in Monet's Rouen Cathedral series or his waterlilies).

From the mid-1880s the socalled Post-Impressionists ~ Van Gogh, Gauguin, Seurat. Cézanne - took Impressionism in various different directions but consistently emphasised pattern and heightened or exaggerated colour. In 1905, the Fauve group, led by Matisse, startled Paris with paintings in which colour appeared entirely detached from observed reality and in which the motif was rendered, literally, in the broadest brush

Cubists, Picasso and Braque, a year or so later, to dismember the motif itself and set the scene for the emergence of the pure geometric abstraction of Mondrian and the Russian Malevich, about 1915-20. Inspired by Monet, another Russian, Wassily Kandinsky had, about 1910, evolved a free-form kind of abstraction.

The development of mod-ern art coincided with that of photography. One intriguing view is that in order to preserve the uniqueness of their art (and its value in the market) painters simply had to make it as distinct from photography as possible.
After the Second World War,

attempts were made to put modern art into a theoretical strait-jacket, notably by the American critic Clement Greenberg, in the context of the post-war American art known as Abstract Expressionism and its immediate successors. In the Seventies the term "Post-Modernism" was coined to define new art which appeared to ignore or reject the concerns of "classic" modernism. Such art openly embraced popular or commercial culture, and freely phindered the art of the past,

recycling its imagery.
Critical debate has raged increasingly ever since. Meanwhile, art sails serenely on ...

Professor W.J.M. Mackenzie

W.J.M. ("Bill") Mackenzie was one of two or three personalities who shaped the social sciences in British universities in the 1950s and 1960s. In these years he was also an adviser on constitutional development in East Africa and on English local and regional government.

Mackenzie came from a reasonably prosperous family in Dundee and he was always something of a canny Scot. His father was a successful lawyer (Writer to the Signet) in Edinburgh. As a student at Edinburgh Academy the young Mackenzie received a strict training in the classics, some-thing that always showed in later life. He was a high flyer, won a scholarship to Balliol at 16, and had to wait a year before going up in 1927. At Oxford he won more prizes and took a Double First in Greats.

Following the family path he returned to Edinburgh to gain an LLB in two years. He was appointed as a Classics don at Magdalen, Oxford in 1933. But he grew bored with teaching grammar and when the College looked to strengthen its PPE teaching, he switched to being a Politics fellow in 1936. He taught himself the subject, reading voraciously and drawing on his knowledge of ancient philosophy and law. To the end one felt that he found the study of politics congenial because it allowed him to indulge in and profit from his interest in so

many other fields. He was part of the dons' invasion of Whitehall in the war. From 1939 to 1944 as a mem-Ministry (1939-44), he was a participant observer of the conflict between Tizard and Linbomber offensive. After the

war he wrote a secret history of the SOE operations in France, which has not yet been pub-

His first contact with industrial England came with his appointment to a Chair of Govermment and Administration at Manchester University in 1948. Few had heard of Mackenzie, who had no publications to his name, but he built up an outstanding Government depart-ment which until the early 1960s was the best in Britain and gained an international reputation. He did it by spotting talent: from Aberdeen to Oxford he picked bright young men who were not necessarily political scientists but wished to be-

At Manchester he created a culture, not of publish or perish, but of intellectual excitement and keeping abreast of developments in the discipline in the United States. In the early 1950s his young colleagues were pioneers in studies of voting behaviour, community power, pressure groups and developing countries. He had a remarkable instinct for where the subject was heading. Manchester was an exciting

place to be in the 1950s. Sir John

Barbirolli conducted the Hallé, the Guardian was still a Manchester paper and the BBC Brains Trust met regularly there. The University's social science faculty was probably the liveliest in the country. The economists Elv Devons and W. Arthur Lewis, the anthropologist Max Gluckman, the philosopher Dorothy Emmet and Mackenber of the secretariat in the Air zie argued enthusiastically at weekly interdisciplinary staff seminars. These were exhilarating but also sometimes terdemann and the debate over the rifying occasions for visiting speakers because subject bound-



enzie: shaped the discipline of politicial science. Photograph: BBC

aries did not exist for the Man- That many of his junior apchester polymaths. Mackenzie's view was that politics was best studied in conjunction with other subjects and that other subjects should always be aware of the political dimension.

As well as building up an institution Mackenzie was also shaping the discipline. Perhaps no other professor of politics exercised more patronage. He made many appointments at Manchester but he also influenced the selections for many Politics chairs in the 1960s.

pointments went on to professorships and vice-chancellorships was a tribute to his talent spotting. Sir Charles Wilson, the principal at Glasgow University, in 1965 sought his advice on whom to appoint to the University's James Bryce Chair of Politics. Mackenzie provided some names but in the end offered himself. He had twice built up the Manchester department, in the 1950s, and again in early 1960s, and seen his young lecturers go off to chairs. It was

now time to return to Scotland and in 1966 he took the Bryce

Young lecturers at Manchester regarded Mackenzie with reverence tinged with awe. This was due partly to his erudition in so many disciplines, and partly to the exacting standards which he insisted on. It is difficult to imagine a similar re-lationship in university depart-ments today. I once overheard an elderly academic refer to some of his former colleagues, now distinguished professors of politics (then in their forties), as still "Bill Mackenzie's little

boys".
His management of the department was informal and paternalistic. He made the appointments, held few depart-mental meetings and governed by conversation and memo. It was a benevolent despotism and, again, is almost unimaginable today: those were days when powerful professors could stand up to Vice-Chancellors and win.

He was never an imperialist about the social sciences. He acknowledged, but was not a casualty of the two cultures war between natural science and the humanities. The study of poli-tics could never be a hard science, although this was a useful aspiration. It was organised knowledge, communicable as a set of propositions. He thought that politics dealt with the awkward bits left by other disciplines.

The job (of political science) is to talk in an orderly manner, paying regard to consistency and verifiability, about a unique sit-uation which is extremely complex and changes rapidly" he wrote in Politics and Social Science, his best-selling Penguin (1967). He did not believe that

lectures or even articles should be too worked out. They should stimulate, suggest and leave students and readers to work things out for themselves. A young colleague commented that a number of students did not fully understand his lectures, but did not doubt that they were

listening to a great man.

Mackenzie was also one of
the "Good and the Great" who staffed government commit-tees, councils and other public bodies. He knew his way around Whitehall but - from his years in Scotland, Oxford and Manchester – also knew the world outside. He always took the view that his academic studies should inform his role as a man of affairs and vice versa. He was a constitutional advisor to the new states of Tanganyika and Kenya. He was one of the first members of the new Social Science Research Council between 1965 and 1969, served on the Maud Committee on Management and Local Government (1964-66), the committee on Remuneration of Ministers and MPs (1963-64) and the North-West Regional Economic Planning Council from 1965 until his departure to Glasgow. In Glasgow he was a member of various local and Scottish public

In 1963 he drew on the austere skills of the classical philo-logical skills and his intimate understanding of the ways of Whitehall to write a brilliant full page translation in the Manchester Guardian of the 1961 Plowden committee's report on public spending. It began "We proceed on two principles: 'No dirty linen in public, and outside critics are bores'." He regarded the report as an example of opaque Whitehall prose employed as a device to

allow mandarins to converse in public without being understood. It is true that he never specialised and so did not produce the great definitive book. But his real qualities were better seen

in the acknowledgements and prefaces to articles and books that other political scientists were writing in the 1950s and 1960s. He was a synthesiser, brilliant at making connections across disciplines, ruminating about the state of a field, and suggesting new topics of research. A footnote could move from the classics to a controversy in biology to the mythic as-pects of a television soap opera. His qualities were best seen in the scores of essays, talks and seminars which he gave. Some were collected in his Explo-rations in Government: Collected Papers 1951-1958 (1975). Often he was oblique and allusive, pointing to puzzles and problems, suggesting new ways of looking at the familiar. This was a very different style from his distinguished successor at Manchester, Sammy Finer, who always liked to have the last

Yet his publications were distinctive and heterogeneous. His co-authored Central Administration in Great Britain (1957) was an outstanding account of the form and work of British central government. From his interest in Africa came Free Elections (1958) and Five Elections in Africa (1960), with Kenneth Robinson. His magisterial Politics and Social Science, an encyclopaedic study of the field, and The Study of Political Science Today (1972) could perhaps only have been written by him. The first explained political science to the social scientist and social science to the student of politics. He wrote about political theory, political resistance in Norway, Africa, regionalism in Italy, among other things. He was a generalist in the best

His appearance changed little from his forties to his seventies. He had a shock of silver wavy hair, friendly blue eyes, a ruddy complexion and a slow Scottish accent. He had a tall shambling gait and there was something of the figure of Pather Christmas about him. He was a good mixer, humorous. marvellous stimulator of staff and students, and always welcoming to those from overseas.

overseas.

He retired from his Glasgow chair in 1974. There followed more books: Power, Violence and Decision (1975), Political Identity (1977), Biological Ideas and Politics (1979) and a study of Politics (1978) and a study of health care. If they did not attract the attention they deserved, it was probably because the range was too wide for a more narrowly trained generation of political and social scientists. He married Pam Malyon in

1943. There were four daughters and one son.

Dennis Kavanagh

William James Millar Mackenzie, political scientist: born 8 April 1909: Fellow of Magdalen College 1933-48, War History SOE (part-time) 1945-48 Professor of Government and Age. ministration, Manchester University 1949-55, Professor of Government 1955-66; CBE 1963; James Bryce Professor of Government, Glasgow Universi-ty 1966-70, Edward Caird Professor of Politics 1970-74 (Emeritus); FBA 1968; married 1943 Pamela Malyon (one son,

four daughters); died Glasgow 22 August 1996.

David Donaldson

his eightieth birthday on 29 June. This event was marked with the publication of his biography, and shortly afterwards with a major retrospective exof Art. Both the book and exhibition present the wealth, energy and sheer joy of his painting, and it is a tragic irony that, in the midst of these celchrations, the art world learnt of his death.

David Abercrombie Donaldson was a man of contrasts. He was born in 1916 of working-class parents in the industrial lowlands of Scotland. In his own words he was "a wee bastard who was bairned up a close in Coatbridge". Yet, in a distinguished career as a portrait painter, he mixed with the highest of British society culminating in a commission to paint a portrait of Her Majesty the

Queen in 1966. Among the formal honours received by him were Associate Member and then Academician of the Royal Scottish Academy, and honorary degrees from Glasgow and Strathelyde Uni-Her Maiesty the Oueen in Scotland. His paintings are in the major public collections in Scotland, and in private collections across Britain, Europe, Australia, the United States and South Africa.

Without any formal qualifications. Donaldson entered Glasgew School of Art at the paint directly on to white can-age of 15, and he stayed there vas, without the use of preparauntil his retirement at the age of 65. He progressed from student to part-time tutor to - finally in 1967 - Head of Drawing and Painting.

His own students and colleagues remember him as an inspiring and brilliant teacher who always taught by his own example. "For Christ's sake Morrison you hang pearls round that!" one student recalls being admonished in a life

The same student remembers the colour that Donaldson brought to his life and to his painting in the drab years in the we are presented with ridicule early 1950s when rationing still we laugh with the artist and not lingered on. Although Don- at him. In a later work. Self-

David Donaldson celebrated aldson could be difficult he portrait, 1986, Donaldson faces had a genuine regard and fondness for his students.

He believed that art should be taught by artists and he had a strong distike of bureaucracy hibition at the Talbot Rice in all its forms. Rather than-Gallery in Edinburgh which is working for formal examinacurrently at Glasgow School . tions he believed that students should just get on with painting. This was, indeed, just what he had done.

These principles led to clashes with the authorities when, as Head of Drawing and Painting, he was forced to see in changes to the structure of teaching. He fought, without success, against what he saw as a threat to the integrity of his principles.

Despite these turmoils however he is remembered as one of the few Heads who always kept the door of his studio open - for anyone. Furthermore he was "fantastic company" and any other colleague arriving early to the studios would be welcomed by him with streaky bacon rolls and mugs of very strong tea.

In his own work it was the sheer quality of paint and colour that Donaldson loved. He had both a delicacy of touch and an exuberance that rubbed versities. In 1977 he was ap- off on everything he painted, pointed Painter and Limner to whether figures, landscapes, still lifes or allegorical paintings. Both his commissioned por-Royal Collection, in most of the traits, of which there are a paintings of bimself, his wife. daughters and models, have a directness and humanity stemming from his relationship to that other human being in his studio, the sitter. He would

> tory drawings. In the many self-portraits painted during his career he has presented us with insights into the complex character that he was. From the very beginning humour, usually directed at himself, was a strong element. In Me, 1935, a painting done whilst he was still a student, Donaldson portrayed himself as a clown wearing an enamel chamber pot on his head. In 1974, in Self-portrait with Cac-tus, he wears nothing other than a chef's hat with a cactus sprouting out behind. Although

us naked in his studio but for a red rose. The humour is still there but the painting strikes a sharper note of self-examination. However, his Self-portrait in Winter, 1978, is the most deeply self-searching of the series.

It is a quite a small work (head and shoulders only) and uses no other prop than a flat black cap. In the vein of Rembrandt or Goya, Donaldson has painted himself during the difficult teaching years at Glasgow School of Art when he tried to stand out alone against the changes that were being forced mon him. However, even in the severity of the portrait Donaldson's love of colour remained with him. The delicate touches of pinks and purples enliven his cold face and give a velvety richness to his black jacket and cap. Insight into the artist though this might be, it is first and foremost just a very fine

His landscapes of Scotland or of the South of France, again done directly and en plein air, describe the sensuous quality of sunlight, deep shadows or a stiff breeze through olive groves. His allegorical paintings look back to his Scottish background with its deeply rooted knowledge of the Bible and the poems of Burns. Yet in all these works it is Donaldson's sense of the joy of life and living that comes across most strongly.

Another sad irony is that David Donaldson's biographer, W. Gordon Smith, died just the week before he did. However, Gordon Smith's book and the retrospective exhibition at Glasgow School of Art, which continues until 30 August, bear testimony to Donaldson's life

David Donaldson is survived by his wife. Marysia, his son, Sebastian, and his two daughters, Sally and Caroline.

Joanna Soden

David Abercrombie Donaldson, painter: born Chryston, Strathclyde 29 June 1916; ARSA 1951, RSA 1962; Head of Painting School, Glasgow School of Art 1967-81; Her Majesty's Painter and Limner in Scotland 1977-96; married 1942 Kathleen Boyd Maxwell (one son), 1949 Marysia Mora-Szorc (two daughters); died Glasgow 22 August 1996.



Reinhard Libuda

A remarkable goal scored from the halfway line by Manchester United's young David Beckham ten days ago brought many comparisons with famous speculative shots seen over the years. One that the Liverpool players of the last generation will not forget was the freak drive that defeated them in the 1966 European Cup Winners' Cup final. It was scored by Reinhard Libuda, the West German international.

Libuda, capped 26 times for West Germany and nicknamed "Stan" after Stanley Matthews, was then playing for Borussia Dortmund and the final was at Hampden Park on a soaking ing in stature internationally unand had beaten the famous Juventus and Celtic in earlier rounds before meeting Borussia. However in the 17th minute tent with a medal for third of extra-time, with the score place 1-1, their goalkeeper, Tommy Lawrence, punched the ball out from the edge of the penalty area directly to Libuda who struck an immediate and match-winning shot in from 40 vards. It was not the only time Libuda had frustrated a British

team. Scotland will also remember him for being the player who denied them qualification for the 1970 World Cup finals. Playing against them for West Germany in Hamburg, his speed had the beating of the comparatively slow-turning Tommy Gemmell, and his goal for a 3-2 win ensured that West Germany went to Mexico where he played against England in the quarter-final. England's team of the time began the competition as arguably the best they had ever produced, except that in that crucial match Gordon Banks was absent with a stomach upset and Germany won revenge for their 1966 final defeat at Wembley.

Libuda played his part but with England two goals ahead he was obviously tiring and, in an inspired move by the coach, Helmut Schon, he was replaced by Jürgen Grabowski whose

Lev Vlasenko, pianist, died Bris-bane, Australia 23 August, aged 67. Professor at Moscow Conservatory for 30 years. Ahmed Bahaddin, editor and

journalist, died Alexandria, Egypt 24 August, aged 69. Head of Egyptian Press Syndicate. Erwin Leiser, film director, died



pace and skill on the wing invictory in extra-time. Libuda was der the guidance of Bill Shankly himself used as a substitute in the semi-final against Italy, who won but were beaten by Brazil in the final. He had to be con-

> West Germany's team of that period relied a great deal on quick wingers. Grabowski was certainly fast and Libuda could be but he enjoyed drawing de-fenders towards him almost lazily before picking up speed and using his skill for producing accurate centres. He was held in high esteem by the fans. especially in his home town of Gelsenkirchen where at the height of a career that never quite reached the peaks, a large religious text on a wall once claimed "Nobody Gets Around Jesus". A fan added: "Except

His career went into sad decline after 1972 when he received a lifetime football ban for bribery. Although the suspension was later lifted, he failed to re-establish himself in the game and drifted into a life of heavy drinking followed by throat cancer. He died in circumstances far removed from tus days as one of Europe's most exciting players.

Norman Fox

Reinhard Libuda, football player: born 1942; died Gelsenkirchen, Germany 25 Aug

Zurich, Switzerland 23 August, aged 73. Made documentaries on Nazi war crimes. Irene Vorrink, politician, died Amsterdam, Netherlands 21 August, aged 78. Former Dutch health and environment minister. Advocate of legalisation of

Births, Marriages & Deaths

DEATHS

BIDWELL: Peacefully on 23 Augus 1946, aged 83, Brigadier Shelford (Ginger) Bulwell OBE RA FRI listS. Beloved husband of the late Peggy, much loved father of Jane and Georgina and grandfather of Stephen and Catherine, Private family and cremation service. No flowers please but donations of desired to Sister Agnes Foundation, King Edward VII Hosnual for Officers. A thanksgiving

service will be held in London on a

date to be announced.

MACKENZIE: Peacefully at Western Infirmary, Glasgow on 22 August 1996, Professor W.J.M. Mackenzie CBE, Emeritus Professor of Politics at Glaseow and Manchester Univerities. Funeral service at Clydebank Crematorium, North Dalnottar on Monday 2 September 1996 at 3pm, No thwers please. Remembered with love by his wife and family.

nucements for Gazette RIRTHS. MARRIAGES & DEATHS (Births, Adoptions, Marriages, Deaths, Memorial services, in Memoriam) should be sent in writing to the Gazette Editor, The independent, I Cacada Square, Ca-nary Wharf, London E14 5DL, tele-phoned to 0171-293 2011 or faxed to 0171-293 2010, and are charged at £6.50 a line (VAT extra).

Birthdays

Mr Jacques Arnold MP, 49; Mr Gerhard Berger, motor racing driver, 37; Sir Donald Bradman, cricketer, 88; Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, 68; Sir Hugh Byatt, former diplomat, 69: Sir Stewart Crawford, former diplomat, 83; Lord Dormand of Easington, former government minister, 77; Miss Sian Edwards, conductor and nusic director, English National Opera, 37; The Earl of Eglinton and Winton, former managing director, and deputy chairman, Gerrard & Na-tional Holdings, 57; Lady Antonia Fraser, author, 64; Mr David Hart, trade union leader, 56; Mr Michael Holroyd, author. 61; Mr Bernhard Langer, golfer, 39; Mr John Lloyd, tennis player, 42; Mr Andrew

MacKay MP, a Lord Commissioner of the Treasury, 47; Sir James Molyneaux MP, 76; Sir Mark Potter, a Lord Justice of Appeal, 59; Vis-count Rothermere, newspaper proprictor, 71; The Right Rev Richard Runt, former Bishop of Leicester, 71; Mother Teresa, missionary, 86; Mr Jack Thompson MP, 68; Mr Andy Turnell, jockey, 48; Mr Robin Waterfield, bookseller and publisher, 82: Lt-Gen Sir John Watts, 66; Mr Edmund Weiner, lexicographer, 47.

Anniversaries

Births: Confucius, philosopher, 551 BC; Alessandro Farnese, Duke of Parma, general and diplomat, 1545; Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel.

philosopher, 1770; Karl Bosch, in-dustrial chemist, 1874; Lloyd Cassel Douglas, novelist, 1877; The Hon. Charles Stewart Rolls, motor manufacturer, 1877; Samuel Goldwyn (Samuel Gelbfisch), film magnate. 1882; Eric Coates, viola player and composer, 1886; Cecil Scott Forester, novelist, 1899; Lyndon Baines Johnson, 36th president of the US, 1908: Martha Raye (Margaret Theresa Yvonne Reed), actress and comedicome, 1916. Deaths: Josquin Desprez, composer, 1521; Titian (Tiziano Vecelli), painter, a victim of the plague, 1576; Pope Sixtus V, 1590; Johan George Schwartze, painter, 1874; John Henry Foley, sculptor, 1874; Ea-gene-Samuel Auguste Fromentin, novelist and painter, 1876; Sir Row-

man, 1919; "Le Corbusier" (Charles-Edouard Jeanneret), architect, 1965; Princess Marina, Duchess of Kent, 1968; Dame Ivy Compton-Burnett, novelist, 1969; Haile Sclassie, deposed Emperor of Ethiopia, 1975; Earl Mountbatten of Burma, murdered by the IRA 1979. On this day: Duchy of Franconia at the Battle of Nordlingen, 1634; the first balloon ascent was made in Britain by James Tytler at Edinburgh, 1784; the Dec-laration of the Rights of Man was adopted by the French National Assembly, 1789; Napoleon defeated the Austrians at the Battle of Dresden, 1813; Algiers, then a refuge for Bar- National Gallery: Mari Griffith,

land Hill, founder of penny postage. 1879; Louis Botha, soktier and states-

bary pirates, was bombarded by Lord Exmouth, 1816; the interior of the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, was destroyed by fire, 1892; the Kellogg-Briand Pact, an anti-war document, was signed by 15 nations, 1928; the first transmission of a television programme from the Continent was made by the BBC, 1950; the USSR launched Sputnik 3. carrying two dogs, 1958. Today is the Feast Day of St Caesarius of Arles, St David Lewis, Little St Hugh, St Marcellus of Tomi, St Margaret the Barefooted, St Monica and St Poe-

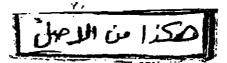
Lectures

"Fair Game (iv): Velázquez, Philip IV hunting Wild Boar (La Tela Real)".

Romance and Reality in 19th Century Domestic Genre Painting, "Animals in Ancient Egyptian Art".

1.15pm. National Portrait Gallery (guided tour): "Beneath the Surface: materials, techniques and studio practice 1500-1837", 2.30pm.

Changing of the Guard The Household Cavalry Mounted Regi-



Ladbroke's price canters as punters place bets on good results

Some of the stock market's most avid punters must be a litowns the US Hilton chain;
Sainsbury and many properties have been unloaded. tle surprised Ladbroke has Ladbroke the international survived as an independent company and is about to produce another set of results.

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On numerous occasions in the past year the shares have enjoyed frenzied gallops as ru-mours of imminent takeover action have swirled around.

For a long while the Bass brewing group was seen as the most likely predator. Lad-broke's Hilton Hotels, ran the argument, would slot nicely with Bass's Holiday Inn chain and. Whitehall permitting the Ladbroke betting shops and the Coral spread would create a

powerful betting force.
But Bass became captivated by the thought of recapturing leadership of the UK's beerage and started what turned out to be protracted talks to buy the country's third-largest brewer.

Then it was the turn of the

Hilton spread. At first it seemed Ladbroke would strike at HHC; then the story was turned on its head with HHC going for Ladbroke. The final - and more likely - version is a trading pact that offers some form of Hilton unity.

Shares of the betting and hotel group ended last week at their highest for three years. Takeover speculation is never far away, but it is Thursday's interim results that have provided much of the impetus. They are not expected to be out-standing, Merrill Lynch is looking for £62m (£56.5m) and an unchanged dividend. Some

forecasts stretch to £70m. But there could be some en-couraging comments. Chief executive Peter George has been tidying the group and reducing borrowings. Texas Homecare, the do-it-yourself

Ladbroke is concentrating on leisure. Its hotels should have joined in the dramatic revival the industry has experienced and, although betting shops are National Lottery casualties, there are signs the WOISI IS OVET.

The shares at 207p are, however, a long way from the 333p peak achieved in 1989 when Cyril Stein, now endeavouring to build his own up-market hotel empire, ruled the roost. Profits have been under pressure as Ladbroke reshaped. Last year they reached £121.3m and Merrill believes they will hit a peak this year - it is going for £157m. Kleinwort Benson is on £165m.

After their remarkable display last week there must be a temptation for shares to pause for breath. But many in the market have been heard to mutter that now Footsie has conquered the 3.900 barrier



STOCK MARKET WEEK

DEREK PAIN Stock market reporter

there will be no stopping a gal-lop to the magical 4,000.



tory. Trading has often been thin and many of the legendary big-hitters are still on holiday. But there is no denying shares are exading confidence. They seem, for once, to be able to ignore unbelpful developments and dwell happily on more

bullish events. The scent of lower interest rates is in the air and the feelgood factor could become an old-fashioned election boom.

Some brave souls have for weeks been forecasting Footsie will end the month at more than 4,000. Their predictions once looked outrageously hopeful; that is no longer the case. And forecasters on 4,000 for the year-end could even be

accused of being too cautious. Ladbroke is only one of three blue chips reporting on Thursday. The others are

Rolls-Royce and Reckitt & Colman. Rolls' interim results will be distorted by provisions relating to closures and writeoffs following its decision to withdraw from its Parsons turbine business. NatWest Securities looks for pre-exceptional profits of £75m compared with £47m. Some forecasts stretch to £100m.

Jo Reedman at NatWest will focus on the after-market for civil aviation spares. "If there is evidence of a sustainable increase in aircraft spares, then there could be further up-side for the share price," she

to be repositioned. It has sold its food and soft-drink businesses and intends to evolve as a world leader in household

wondering whether they will be Dettol and Harpic. Interim troubled Do-it-All do-it-yourprofits could reflect the re-self business, axing jobs and shaping. Retailer WH Smith is an-

other to undergo a revamping exercise. It has been receiving intensive treatment from Bill Cockburn, the chief executive who used to head the Post Of-The shares have been sur-

prisingly strong as the market has gleefully anticipated the fruits of his labours. The benefits will not filter through when the group reports its first loss tomorrow. The figures will be heavily distorted by the Cockburn impact with profits emerging at perhaps £85m (against £115.3m), before being overwhelmed by exceptional charges of around

The shares are just below their 12-month high of 532p. They have climbed from 356p. The revival programme included paying Boots to asof goods stocked by Smith. Some wonder whether Mr

Cockburn will have a few surprises up his corporate sleeve perhaps even a rights issue. Others reporting this week include T&N, the specialist engineer still troubled by its asbestos past. In the past 10 years it has paid out more

profits could be around £60m against £73.2m.

Photo-Me International, the photo booth owner, will benefit from the introduction of identity cards. In the meantime it has warned profits will be lower: around £12.7m against

than £300m in claims. Interim

£14.5m is expected. Cairn Energy's figures will attract little interest; its supporters will be more fascinated by developments at its Bangladesh operation. Perhaps

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CITY & BUSINESS EDITOR: JEREMY WARNER

Festival fireworks: Grade vows to fight sell-off all the way as merchant banker warns that C4 is far from being a goldmine

Channel 4 sale 'would raise less than £1bn'

Channel 4 would be worth less than £1bn, half the much-publicised earlier estimates, if it were privatised, according to a senior City merchant banker.

Anthony Fry. of BZW, presented the much-reduced valuation to delegates at the Edinburgh International Television Festival yesterday, adding: "Clearly, privatising Channel 4 would not be the goldmine that everybody appears to think.

The prospect of privatisation has been recently floated by the Treasury as a way of raising revenues to fund tax cuts, and could form part of the next Conservative Party manifesto.

But Mr Fry warned: "Any hope of generating a multi-billion pound return for the Government from Channel 4 would have to come from its programming budget as a privatised

The likelihood that a privately

pay a cash bid, taxes and a percentage of its revenue to the Treasury further reduced its attractiveness at the inflated prices so far discussed in the City, he said.

Separately, Michael Grade, chief executive of Channel 4, made his most powerful public comment yet against privatisa-tion, telling delegates in Edin-burgh: "I'm angry and sad that the privatisation of Channel 4 is even on the political agenda somewhere between the Treasury and Downing Street. The board of Channel 4 is going to fight this all the way.

Mr Grade said Channel 4's special remit to cater to minority tastes could not survive privatisation. "You can certainly have a privatised Channel 4 or you can have Channel 4 with its full public service remit. You cannot have both.

"The remit works because it is shared between Parliament, the regulators and the board of the channel. The whole purpose of Channel 4 is to operate as efficiently as possible and to

resources to that common objective."
Mr Grade concluded his

speech by calling on the Government to "dispel this nonsense. Channel 4 works, so can it please be left alone to get on with its job?" He even made veiled threats

that he and other senior executives might not stay with the channel: "If I wanted to work in the commercial sector I would have stayed at ITV or in America. I will fight with every breath in my body against the privatisation of this channel." That view was disputed by

Cento Veljanovski, partner at Case Associates, the manage ment consultancy, who argued that Channel 4 could be privatised with or without its distinctive remit

He added that the justification for privatisation had been provided by the very success of the channel.

The spectacular rise of Channel 4 in recent years, and the high-profile campaign led by Mr enues once its share of



Veiled threats: Michael Grade says that he and other executives might not stay on

Channel 4 now attracts more

Steve Morrison, chief oper-

than 20 per cept.

Grade to amend the controversial payments the channel makes to ITV, together convinced the Government to consider the sell-off.

ating officer of Granada Media Last year, Channel 4 paid £75m to ITV, under the fund-Group, said that privatisation should be considered if Chaning formula. It dictates that the nel 4 did not change the way it channel must pay the ITV comcurrently scheduled propanies a proportion of rev-

"Channel 4 ain't what it used

advertising reaches 14 per cent. to be," he said. "It has quite come Channel Three-and-asimply become a commercial wolf in a public service sheep's

clothing. A

He criticised the number of repeats, the big proportion of programming imported from the US and what he saw as a lack of commitment to regional programming.
"Channel 4 has really just be-

Half," Mr Morrison said. He called on regulators to impose

stricter conditions on the channel. "The onus is on those who wish to avoid privatisation to convince us that the channel can be set back on its intended course," he said.

ITC faces payments challenge

ITV companies are to lobby the Independent Television Commission for changes to the way the television regulathe way the telection to tors' budget is financed, calling the present system "increasingly unfair and difficult to justify", writes Mathew

The ITC, which regulates commercial television in the UK, had a budget in 1995 of £15.3m, of which Channel 3, Channel 4 and Teletext companies contributed £11.3m.

By contrast, the cable and satellite companies, including BSkyB, Rupert Murdoch's satellite broadcaster, paid £2m.

ITV is expected to argue that the disjunction between revenue shares for different channels and their licence fee payments to the ITC is particularly striking. ITV and Channel 4 account

for 72 per cent of total television revenue, but pay 86 per cent of the ITC's budget.

Cable and satellite account for 28 per cent of commercial revenues but pay just 14 per cent of the ITC's running

"Put another way, the cable and satellite channels earn almost a third of the revenue of Channels 3 and 4, yet we pay the ITC seven times as much, Birt on the Beeb, the ITV companies write in a Section Two, page 21 draft letter.

Lenders use loan deals to inflate profits

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Some of Britain's biggest mortgage lenders are boosting their financial returns by spreading out the cost of special incentives given to borrowers over

By amortising mortgage discounts, cash-backs and other special deals paid to customers, building societies and some banks can announce profits that are tens of millions of

pounds higher than their rivals. Among lenders which amortise are Nationwide, Woolwich and Northern Rock building societies, together with Abbey National, which added £60m to its half-year results by spread-

ing the effect of its incentives. Those who prefer to be more conservative and take the hit of special deals in the first year include Bradford & Bingley, Britannia, Yorkshire and Barclays Bank. Last week, Halifax Building Society said its halfyear profits were £64m down on what they might have been had discounts been amortised.

The practice has drawn criticism from Geoffrey Fitchew, chairman of the Building Socicties Commission, the industry's regulator.

Speaking at the BSA conference in May, Mr Fitchew said: "The risk [is] that over time financial comparisons between different mortgage lenders will become opaque, where they follow different accounting conventions on material items in the financial

The amortisation method in effect provides a more favourable impact on capital for what is economically the same transaction. We are considering whether this is creating an unfair disadvantage for lenders who take the hit up front." However, lenders that amor-

tise their deals claim the oractice represents the effect of the incentives as they actually happen each year.

Robert Jeens, the newly appointed group finance director at Woolwich Building Society, said that in the first half of this year, when it declared £183m profits, some £45m of incentives paid to borrowers was amortised.

He said: "Our approach is to look at the whole locked-in returns over the several years in which we offer incentives." This was done by imposing redemption penalties, which forced clients to return the incentives they had received if they repaid a mortgage early.

Andy Kuipers, assistant general manager at Northern Rock, said the problems of borrowers defaulting and lenders losing out in the event of a house price collapse on a similar scale as the early 1990s

were minimal. Many of the big incentives, such as cash-back deals, were available only to borrowers able to advance deposits of between 5 and 10 per cent.

Mark Pain, group financial controller at Abbey National, added that another reason why not all lenders amortised was because they might not have in place the complicated systems needed to do so.

However, a spokeswoman for Britannia said: "We write off any of our special discounts in year one, irrespective of how long they run for, be-cause we don't feel it is appropriate to spread costs. Lenders who do this are relying on people keeping their mortgages with them, which is not guaranteed."

Yorkshire Building Society said it too behaved "prudent-ly" and did not amortise, preferring to take a bit immediately, even though it estimated the effect was to reduce by £13m the £40m profits it expects to make in 1996.



Lavendon founder could scoop £6m

which provides powered access equipment for important sporting events such as Wimbledon. is set to bring a windfall of up to £6m for its founder, David Price, who invested £300,000 in buying the business in 1992, writes Magnus Grimond.

Now the UK's biggest powered access group, Lavendon announced yesterday its intention to come to the stock market in an autumn placing which

The flotation of Lavendon, values the group at up to £30m. Collingtree, near Northamp-which provides powered access. The company's self-propelled ton. The placing will raise bescissor and boom lifts and vehicle-mounted hoists, which rise as high as 72 metres, have become familiar sights as television camera platforms at sporting occasions such as the Grand National and the British Grand Prix at Silverstone. Yesterday, the trucks were rolling out from some of Lavendon's 1,400 depots to cover the British

tween £8m and £12m for the company to finance expansion and realise the holding of CIN-Ven, the venture capital group that backed the original acquisition of the business. It will also net a potential

profit of more than £5.5m for Mr Price, a former systems analyst with IBM and divisional director with GKN, the engi-Masters golf championship at neering group.

UK small businesses confident about future

MAGNUS GRIMOND

Further evidence that the economy is picking up came yesterday after it emerged that Britain's small businesses are some of the most confident in western Europe:

Optimism about the commercial environment has soared among British entrepreneurs in the first six months of this year, despite the increasingly cloudy outlook being faced by most of their colleagues on the Conti-

Although they expect the general economic situation to worsen, small and mediumsized enterprises in the UK are more positive in nearly every area which concerns their own activities.

There has been a surge in the numbers planning to increase investment in plant and machinery, and, along with higher spending on marketing, research and development and training, more expect to raise additional finance in the next six

The findings by 3i, the ven-ture capital firm, in its latest survey of 459 companies from five

west European countries, will be -64, which compares with a 7velcomed by the Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, coming as they do after mixed signals from the rest of the economy, with retail sales unexpectedly weak in July and the CBI reporting some improved demand for manufactured goods: points to 22:

from a low base. However, 37's European en- competition among French terprise index also contains a businesses and, more than in warning to Mr Clarke in his bat- any of the other countries, an tles with the Governor of the expectation that prices will fall. Bank of England, Eddie George, over interest rates.

An increasing number of British small businesses expect prices and wages to rise, giving some support to the recent concerns voiced by Mr George about the possible need to raise interest rates for the Govern-

ment to hit its inflation targets. The UK survey results contrast sharply with most of those from the four other countries covered, with the French the most gloomy. Small businessmen in France have replaced their German counterparts as the most pessimistic about the state of the economy, 3i says.
The economic index has

slumped there by 9 points to

point improvement to -17 in the UK. French confidence about the prospects for businesses is the lowest of any of the five countries, slipping from 10 to just 4 on the index, whereas in the UK there was a rise of 14 There are growing fears of

Meanwhile, German entrepreneurs, despite being less negative on the prospects for the economy, are gloomier about the state of their own businesses. Optimism about their prospects has fallen from a rating of 17 to 7 and although 46 per cent of small and medium-sized businesses expect to raise more finance, up from 19 per cent before, concerns over compe-

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tition have increased sharply. Charles Richardson of 3i said the UK picture was looking quite positive: "There is something of a more confident mood in many businesses. I don't think we're back to boom, boom times, but they are investing more."

New jet creates 400 jobs at Short's

JACQUI QUINN Toronto

Up to 400 new jobs were secured at Short Brothers, the Belfast aero-engineering group, after around US\$1.8bn of advance orders were announced for the new Global Express executive jet yesterday. It was also revealed that up to 500 jobs could be created if the company wins work for a regional jet to be launched by Bombardier, Shorts' Canadian parent.

The news comes as a big shot in the arm for the Belfastbased group, which was forced to lay off 700 workers in the wake of the collapse of Fokker, the Dutch aircraft maker. News of 52 firm orders for the

for the first time. The jet is the result of a C\$800m investment over the past three years and has been designed and built in partnership with Acrospace leaders from six countries. Costing US\$34m, it is claimed to be the most advanced business jet of

its type and can carry eight executives halfway round the world non-stop at 935kph.
British industry has made an important contribution to the development of the Global Express and is set to benefit substantially from its success. The largest chunk of the British contribution is being made by Shorts, which is building around

a quarter of the airframe struc-

Global Express came as Bombardier rolled out the aircraft ture for the aircraft. This involves the forward fuselage, horizontal stabiliser, engine nacelles, and a large percentage of the jet's composite components.

Global Express will create up to 400 jobs at the plant when the jet is in production in around 18 months, bringing the workforce on the programme to 700.

Roy McNulty, chairman of

Short's, said the Global Express programme was extremely important: "It is not our largest aerospace project but has the potential to become so. News that 52 orders have been received for the jet before anyone has even seen it is an indication of its long-term future."

Bombardier chairman and chief executive officer Laurent

Beaudoin also confirmed that Short's was likely to play a major part in its proposed new re-gional jet, the RJX-70: "We are in discussion with Short's about the possibility of manufacturing the fuselage, engine nacelles and composites. A decision will be taken before the end of the year." If Short's is successful in

securing the RJX-70 work, it would create up to 500 new jobs. Other British players in the Global Express programme are Lucas Industries, which will supply the electrical power gen-eration and distribution system; Messier-Dowty, which developed and manufactured the landing gear, and a BMW-Rolls Royce alliance, which will supply the jet's BR 710 engines.

• Compass Group, the food group, is to acquire the dining and food-vending operations of Service America for £77m. Service America has 7,000 vending accounts and employs 13,000 staff. The deal involves a £5.3m cash payment and £12.9m in loan notes. with the remainder funded by the issue of new Compass shares.

 Airtech, the mobile communications company, is to seek a listing on the Alternative Investment Market, with a market capitalisation of £25m. The company, which has an order book of £9m, is being advised by Albert E Sharp, a nominated broker.

 British companies are less innovative than their Irish and German counterparts because they lack specialist staff, according to a survey. Only 61 per cent of UK firms set up between 1991 and 1993 created new products or developed old ones. In Ireland the total reached 68 per cent, while in Germany it was 71.4 per cent. The survey of 1,700 British, 500 Irish and 1,300 German firms was carried out by the Northern Ireland Research Centre, the Fraser of Allander Institute and the German IFO-Institute.

• Coca-Cola, the drinks company, said it would increase investment in Russia by \$100m (£65m) to \$600m by the end of 1997. The company said that, according to independent research, it had captured 18 per cent of the soft drinks market.

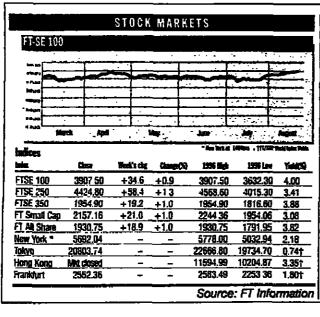
• Gencor, the mining group, said yesterday that the planned merger between its Impala Platinum Holdings and the platinum interests of Londo was no longer in prospect. Brian Gilbertson, executive chairman at Gencor, said his company would continue to run Impala as before.

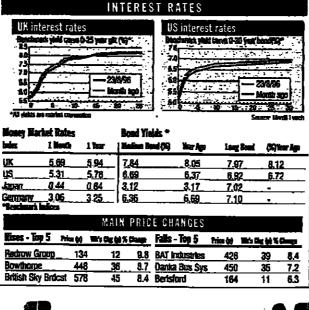
· Jurys Hotel Group, the Irish hotel chain, said that trading levels for the first two months of the current tax year were well ahead of last year. Jury's chairman, Walter Beatty, told shareholders yesterday. "Almost four months into the year, the strong pattern of trading has been sustained."

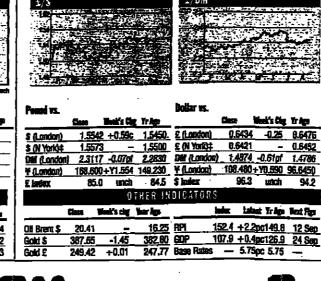
• Lufthansa, the German airline, said it expected to be able to match 1995 carnings in the 1996 business year despite a DM70m (£28m) fall in first-half pre-tax profit to DM119m. The company also forecast stronger 1996 sales, predicting a 5 per cent rise. Its. first-half sales rose by 6.6 per cent to DM9.8bn.

• Foster's Brewing Group, the Australian brewer, forecast continued solid earnings growth after announcing a 2 per cent rise in net profit to A\$293.3m (£150m) for the year to 30 June.

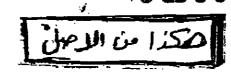
• Swiss Re, the reinsurance group, said it would comment in the next few days on rumours that it is set to buy Mercantile & General, the reinsurance business owned by Prudential Corporation, for £1.5bn. The Pru said in June that it was seeking a partial flotation for M&G.







CURRENCIES



PAUL ORMEROD

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Alarmed by the level of speculation, the Bank of Thailand went into both the Hong Kong and Singapore markets and spent an estimated US\$1.8bn to by hedge fund and asset allo-cation fund managers.

Thailand, which suffered a shore up the baht.

Behind Thailand's determination to protect its currency against speculation stands a growing sense of solidarity among the region's central bankers, crystalised in November by a meeting in Hong Kong where they pledged support through repurchase or "repo" agreements to provide the liq-

emor, Rerngchai Marakanond, uldity required for banks to fight. recently told regional currency off attacks by speculators. dealers that his bank would not hesitate to enter both spot and Hong Kong, for example, forward currency swap mar- has six repo agreements, kets to defend the local cur-including one with Thailand. rency. "While we don't want to Singapore also has an arrangebe tested, we are prepared and ment with Thailand but kept equipped to do whatever is away from the Hong Kong necessary to preserve the value meeting. This may be because of our currency. An attack on it feels strong enough to act the [Thai] baht will be consid- alone. It houses the world's ered as a direct attack on the fourth-largest forex market and Bank of Thailand and it will be dealt with accordingly. its currency is among the four most widely traded Asian curdeah with accordingly."

This is more than just bluster. At the beginning of the beginning of the baht, the Indonesian rupiah

and the Malaysian rmggit. Most Asian currencies are

Don't follow the European model: it's collapsing

the economies of Continental Europe as a model for the rest of the European face a serious structural crisis. Union follow. Many problems remain, not Unemployment is at historically high levels, and rises almost inexorably. The inequality that has taken place. But it makes assumes that savings are translated into inwestern German unemployment rate is already above the British rate of about 8 per cent. In France and Italy it is over 12 per cent, in Finland 18 per cent and in Spain 22 per cent. The British government is often accused, with good reason, of massaging the figures, but governments everywhere find the temptation irresistible. In Germany, for ex-

ample, almost 2 million people are kept off the dole figures by "work" schemes. In France, the nationalised industries such as SNCF and Air France are in effect bankrupt, and employment levels are preserved only by massive subsidies.

Growth rates everywhere in Europe are faltering. Britain's experience since 1979 has hardly been impressive, yet in real terms per capita national income has risen at the same rate as western Germany's, and faster than France's. This represents a dramatic break in the trend that had been in place for over a century. From the 1870s to 1979, the big European economies grew more rapidly than the UK, but since 1979 this has ceased to be the case. Comparisons of growth rates over short periods of time can easily be manipulated by taking economies at different stages of the short-term business cycle, but the 17 years since 1979 span at least two full cycles and so form a reliable basis on which to compare performance.

much less sense to argue that Britain should now emulate the European - or "Rhenish" to give it its fashionable intellectual nomenclature - model of capitalism, for it is pre-cisely this latter model whose performance is collapsing. At the heart of the European problem is a crisis in profitability. Compared with a decade ago there has in recent years been some recovery of profitability in Europe, but one which is far from sufficient to underpin a sustainable growth rate of more

than 2 per cent a year.

The origins of the crisis go back some 30 years. The late 1960s and early 1970s saw a sharp rise in the share of national income going to the labour force, and

a corresponding erosion of prof-itability. The rise was made up of a combination of rapid increases in real wages in excess of productivity growth, and of rises in the costs of employing labour. Europe's problems were compounded by the global shocks of the mid-1970s, but the fall in profitability, the necessary condition for a deterioration in the sustainable growth rate, was already in place.

Orthodox economic theory insists that this should have This is not necessarily to hold up Britain | carried no consequences for

vestment in an effortless way, regardless of the level of profitability. Quite remarkably, profits are virtually written out of the script. But I prefer Hamlet, with the Prince as part of the cast: profitability has always been the key driving force of capitalism, as the great early economists such as Smith, Ricardo and

Comparing average growth rates of the



rates, of 5 per cent a year and more, to be achieved. But this catch-up process was bound to come to an end at some point.

Over and above this entirely natural slowing of the medium-term growth rate has been the impact of the erosion of profitability. The chart plots the changes in the averages of annual GDP growth rates and the share of labour in national income in the largest 18 OECD economies between the 1960-73 period, and the period since 1973. So, for example, the observation for Japan at the bottom right-hand corner shows that comparing the 1974-95 averages with those of 1960-73,

> labour in national income almost 12 percentage points higher. Each of these periods is sufficiently long to embrace several short-term economic cycles, so the comparisons are not distorted by choice of year.

> The striking feature of the chart is the clear negative relationship between these two factors. The larger the increase in labour's share of national income (and, as a corollary, the greater the fall in the share of profits), the more marked has been the fall in the growth rate. It is a straightforward matter to apply sophisticated statistical methods to

growth rate has been the smallest. The Norwegian experience is obviously due to North Sea oil, which represents a substantial proportion of the overall economy in Norway. In the two Anglo-Saxon economies, the profit share has been protected primarily through policies to promote "flexible" labour markets, which have helped to maintain the growth rate, albeit at the expense of a widen-

business

ing of the distribution of income. Over the last 20 years annual average growth in the continental EU countries has been 1 percentage point lower than it would otherwise have been because of the lack of profitability.

It is here that the real cost of high payroll taxes is seen. The well-being of all Eu-ropeans is worsened by the resulting reduction in the sustainable growth rate. And in many, but not all, countries, lower growth has been the prime reason for the endemic rise in unemployment.

Amazingly, most liberal commentators continue to culogise the European model and urge its adoption in Britain. But they are living in the past. The crisis in profitability will continue to deliver low growth and high unemployment in the Continental economies.

Paul Ormerod is chairman of Post-Orthodox Economics, an economic consultancy. He was confirm the validity of this rela- previously a forecaster at the Henley Centre.

The head of a new fund launched by John Govett tells Tom Stevenson why he has turned bullish on eastern Europe's prospects

Putting his trust in the profitability of heading east

It would be hard to imagine anyone better placed to set up an eastern European investment fund than Peter Kysel. On holiday in Wales in 1968 he turned on the radio to hear that his native Czechoslovakia had been

overrun by Soviet troops. reports, underfed Russian sol- advantage of the opportunidiers were emptying the cup- ties? And did we have the right board at his grandfather's investment policy to maximise holiday home outside Prague. our success?" Mr Kysel said. It seemed a good opportunity to complete his education with an engineering and economics—the countries in the former So-reforms in the region have been degree from Oxford.

After spells at Charter Consolidated, Touche Remnant and Lloyds Merchant

Bank, he watched from a distance the collapse of communism in Europe and the velvet revolution at home, before heading back east in 1992 to advise the Slovak Minister of Finance on how to regulate the country's new capital markets.

The following year he moved to Komercni Banka, the largest bank in the Czech Republic, as managing director of its investment banking division. If anyone has a feel for the fastemerging capitalist economies of the former eastern bloc it should be Mr Kysel.

His enthusiasm for the investment opportunities in eastern Europe now has an outlet in the New Europe Investment Company, a fund he is launching for John Govett, the 80 per cent-owned associate of Allied Irish Banks. Investors who have burned their fingers in a string of hyped markets around the world in recent years will take some persuading of the invest-

Mexican peso crisis hovers omi-

nously around the fast-growing economies of South-east Asia, whose governments fear they too might be subject to the kind

of attack mounted on the peso

minor assault during the peso

crisis, seems most vulnerable to

attack by speculators. This view

is shared by foreign exchange

dealers and the Thai govern-

ment's top policy makers, who

have made it clear that they do

not intend to be a sitting duck.

Thailand's central bank gov-

the argument is compelling.
"Before deciding to launch the fund we had to be convinced of the answers to four questions. Was the macro-economic environment favourable? Was thereanything actually to invest in? As he was listening to the Did we have the skills to take

THE TUESDAY INTERVIEW PETER KYSEL

viet orbit as having been through a three-stage transition. First, they had to destroy the structures in place during the centrally planned communist years. That occupied the years 1990-1993, during which GDP typically fell by 15-20 per cent a year, inflation soared and

production collapsed. That traumatic period was followed by about two years of stabilisation in 1994 and 1995. Only since the beginning of this year have the countries entered into the final phase of acceler-ating and sustainable economic growth. Mr Kysel expects growth rates in many regions to be about twice those of the developed world over the next decade or so, perhaps 5 or 6 per cent a year. Inflation is under control and budget deficits bet-ter than in many western Eu-ropean countries. spell in Prague, he was respon-sible for listing the first company on the stock exchange, he or-

ment case. But Mr Kysel thinks central and eastern Europe is often mistakenly compared with the emergence of Third World economies," he said. "Experience shows the conditions and the speed of transformation are more similar to the reconstruction of the German economy after the last war."

Why have they been so successful? "The most radical reformers have been the most successful in achieving trans-As far as the economic back- formation into functioning ca ground is concerned, he sees all italist economies. Market

> significantly undervalued currencies, by work forces with first world education and skills who are paid Third World wages, by rapid produc-

tivity improvements and by their close proximity to the major consumer markets."

The next prerequisite, a sensible universe of companies in which to invest, has been given an enormous boost by mass privatisation programmes that have created 125,000 new privately owned companies. With

vate individuals, they are likely to be liquid, tradeable investments. Certainly, there are more than enough available shares to create a sensible portfolio of say 50 shares. Mr Kysel is too modest to say as much but he is also plainly confident in his ability to run the fund. During his most recent

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ject financing. He was on the region. The best opportunities ground during the years in the early 1990s when "there was no point in throwing money at those markets and losing it" and believes he has called the mo-

The key to profiting from eastern European markets, Mr Kysel believes, is to understand their structure and allocate assets appropriately. More than two-thirds of their capitalisation lies in slow-growth energy, util-ity and financial groups, which

for growth lie in medium-sized companies serving export markets or the fast-developing consumer markets at home and it cratically, but in Russia ... they is these companies Govett's are, well, more laissez faire new fund will target. There are about these things." also good opportunities in capital goods manufacturers and service companies. Spotting those requires an experienced presence on the ground, rather than the trainee fund managers usually sent to cut their teeth on emerging markets. Even Mr Kysel's enthusiasm,

to the risks; "A big difficulty is how the rules are applied and enforced. In the Czech Republic they will be applied bureau-

He also notes the political risks of a country like Russia where there are 140 nationalities often at each others throats, limited liquidity in some smaller capitalisation stocks and an unavoidable currency risk. But he remains incurably optimistic about the region and the po-

South-east Asia ready for battle with speculators

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VIEW FROM HONG KONG

countries have an impressive in the private sector, exceeds pool of foreign currency re-serves, estimated to have ing rapidly. In addition the curreached US\$420bn as of Sep-tember 1995. The considerable liquidity of the currencies belonging to the export-led states of South-east Asia and their link

to the US dollar make them an nancial shock" and state that it obvious target for speculators. Thailand is vulnerable, despite its foreign exchange reserves of some US\$40bu. Short-term foreign debt, mostly shockwaves throughout the

rent account balance remains in the red. These factors led the US credit rating agency Moody's to warn, in May, that Thailand was vulnerable to "fiwas contemplating downgrading its prime-1 rating for sov-

ereign short-term debt.
The Moody's report sent



Thai financial community and drew an angry response in some quarters. However the people taking most careful note were the currency speculators.

A senior central bank official,

Thirachai Phuvanatnaranubala, told the dealers' meeting that foreign speculative trading on the bahi in South-east Asia amounted to about US\$1.2-US\$1.3bn a day. However the Thai authorities are more wary of the massive US hedge funds which often move in herd-like fashion and have shown an active interest in the Thai baht.

A central bank official said the authorities had a good idea who the speculators were but preferred to deal with the problem by creating an unfavourable environment for attacks on the

However, even more firmly based currencies, such as the Hong Kong dollar, backed by a foreign exchange battle chest of speculators. Earlier in the month, Sunday Business published an erroneous report that the currency speculator George Soros had taken short positions in the local currency. As a result the Hong Kong dollar, tied HK\$7.8 to US\$1, fell as low as ulators more choice.

spells the shift of millions of dollars and does so on the basis of unsubstantiated rumour. Earlier this year, Hong

Kong's financial secretary, Don-ald Tsang, warned speculators against attacking the Hong Kong dollar, pointing to the heavy losses incurred by speculators when the currency came under attack early last year. Some of the big shifts in Asian currency values can be explained by something other

than pure speculation. Nevertheless, the movements can be dramatic. In the past five years the Singapore dollar has appreciated by about 25 per cent while the Indonesian rupiah depreciated by about the same amount.

The focus on Asian currencies is likely to become more widespread as restrictions on the convertibility of some controlled currencies are relaxed. Taiwan and South Korea are US\$60bn, are vulnerable to moving towards a more liberal regime and China is making pledges to make the renminbi convertible. Even Vietnam. which lags well behind in the convertibility stakes, is saying that controls will be further relaxed. If nothing else, these to the US dollar at a rate of moves will give currency spec-

STEPHEN VINES

Sunday could have turned out a lot worse than it did

rari to be such a threat in the Belgian Grand Prix. Michael Schumacher's the time – everything was looking win was, perhaps, an example of how dire, particularly as I was struggling Jacques Villeneuve and I had been a bit with the spare car. so intensely focused on competing against ourselves for the drivers' our eyes off the competition.

The crucial aspect from my point Francorchamps with a couple of points and Jacques managed to score just four more than me. That was a better result than it might have been. At one stage during Sunday's race I expected Jacques to win. I was quite surprised when they told me on the radio that he had actually finished second.

From where I was, some way down the order, it had been impossible to see exactly what was going on. I had hehind Schumacher and I assumed

What a result! No one at RothmansJacques was bound to overtake the was not something which Remault Williams-Renault had expected Ferrari eventually and win the race. had much experience of, and why From my position - minth place at

I made the switch not long before the start because of concern about championship that maybe we took an incident which had taken place during the warm-up earlier in the day. I had spun off the track and of view is that I came away from Spa- about half an hour before the race was due to start it suddenly occurred to me that the car had been in gear with the engine running when I had spun backwards. We looked at the incident on the video and the slowmotion replay showed the rear wheels make three revolutions in reverse while the car was in second gear. In effect, the wheels were tak-

ing the engine the wrong way.

I discussed the possible conse quences of the spin with my Renault engineer, Denis Chevrier. It was clear from him that reversing the engine

should they - they are designed with only forward rotation in mind. So I decided to take the spare car. More than anything else I had to be sure of finishing, particularly as Jacques would have the advantage of starting the 13th round of the championship from pole position.
I made a better start than I ex-

pected, considering there was water on my side of the track, but I was very surprised when David Coulthard's McLaren shot past me on the long climb up the hill. That put me back to fourth place. Although the handling of the spare car was quite good I found I had too much understeer, particularly when running in close company. I was preparing to have small changes made to the car during my first pit stop when I came across an accident which, indirectly, would change the course of the race for the Williams team.



Jos Verstappen had gone off the road in a big way. I came round the corner to find tyres from the protective wall bouncing and rolling across the track. There were bits of debris everywhere and I had no alternative but to brake hard to avoid the tyres that were rolling across the finally made my pit stop and rejoined

pension that was lying on the track. Thankfully, it didn't do any damage to me or the car. It was no surprise to see the appearance of the safety car, behind which we would have to run while all the wreckage was cleared.

This coincided at almost exactly the same time the pit stops were due and I received a message to come in from Adrian Newey. As I headed towards the pit lane, the entrance of which bypasses the chicane, and just before I actually got to the point where the pit-lane barrier starts, I was suddenly told to stay out.

This meant I couldn't rejoin the track directly and I had to work my way through a little chicane and then be held by a marshal until the track was clear. That cost me two places as Mika Hakkinen and Gerhard Berger went through. By the time I

safety car. I looked in my mirror and could see just one car behind me so, way, and that's all there is to it. as far as I was concerned, I was as

good as last. sage due to communication problems and didn't stop. I had been told to come in also, but the pit was of course then set up for delivery of Jacques' fuel and tyres.

In hindsight, I could have come in but would have had to wait while they changed over all the equipment and tyres. This would have made it a long stop, but not nearly as much of a loss of time as I eventually suffered by being the last person to

The team is under extreme pressure at times to make split-second decisions that can dramatically alter than it did. the race. This was one of those

track. But in order to miss the tyres
I was in 13th place, at the back of I had to run over a large piece of suspension that was lying on the track.

I was in 13th place, at the back of Sometimes the wrong side turns up.

I made up some places during the final phase and the car felt much better. Berger was pushing me hard when Jacques, who was due to come in the closing stages so, all in all. I was very fortunate to get those two points at the end of such an event-ful day. With three races left to run Jacques has reduced my championship lead by four points to 13.

The outcome of Sunday's race in terms of points was the same as the pair of us finishing first and second. On reflection, had Jacques made his first pit stop on schedule, he probably would have won the race and I would have finished third. That would have meant that he would have gained six points on me rather than four. Quite honestly. Sunday could have turned out a lot worse

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Excitement boils over at Ferrari

DERICK ALLSOP

reports from Spa-Francorchamps

Michael Schumacher was in full flow to the huddle of journalists and took no beed of the mobile phone ringing in the pocket of an Italian reporter. "Pronto... si."

"It's for you," the reporter Schumacher's hand. "It's the president."

thanks... my "Hello... pleasure.' "He's unbelievable," Schumacher said, handing back the phone. "You don't see the pres-

ident of another company being so interested in Formula One." But then it is difficult to imagine another president like Luca di Montezemolo and another company like Ferrari. This has been a generally frustrating and embarrassing season for their Formula One team and the merciless Italian media have

intensified their discomfiture. Schumacher's masterful victory in Sunday's Belgian Grand changed the mood at a stroke, and for the PR-conscious Di Montezemolo it was an

opportunity too good to miss. The mood is likely to be turned into rampant cuphoria by Di Montezemolo's compatriois over the next two weeks, reaching a frenzied climax of anticipation at the Italian Grand Prix. Schumacher realised that. and the concern became evident in his countenance.

"I am quite worried about Monza," he said. "Especially after winning this race. Expectations will be high. I feel a little uneasy. I'm not sure we'll be able to do the same job as here. I'm afraid we will not be as competitive. The people then bewrong. Please keep it calm, "he exhorted the Italian journalists. He should know they cannot.

His first season with the Italian team - for that read Team Italia - ought to have given him a clear enough picture of the Ferrari phenomenon. And Monza will be bedłam.

"It is always like this in life," he said philosophically. "There are good things and not so good things. I feel that people are giving me respect but they are so emotional. They lost control. They like to kiss you and take you. He was referring to an inci-

dent at a recent test, when an admirer had an apparently irresistible compulsion to lunge at Schumacher as he posed for photographers, and planted a kiss on him.

"He could at least have shaved," the champion joked. "And, anyway, it wouldn't have been so bad if it had been a girl." But have not the Germans

also gone wild for Schumacher? At this race they had turned up in their scores of thousands, as Europe, spreading the campsites across the Ardennes landscape as never before. We had known Mansell mania, we had seen Senna's fan club all around the world, yet nothing like this. It makes the Germany of the 1930s cerily easy to comprehend.

Yes," he conceded, "also Germans, but not in the same way. I am not so sure of

Schumacher has never overtly courted the public. He enjoys the support, and patently revels in it. Hero worship, however, he finds difficult to cope with. He recoils when people touch and grab him. He craves just to be one of the people, yet come hysterical if things go he knows it is no longer possi-



ble. That is why his traditional, "impromptu" walk into the issue with Ferrari either. He woods here to meet his fans has maintains he is more concerned become a stage-managed

life with Ferrari. Schumacher is content to keep Eddie Irvine. already well down the road to negotiating an extension of his efits of continuity and undercontract to the end of 1998. He insists money is not the issue. It is thought he is seeking another his team-mates. I could try to \$10m (£6.5m) a year on top of his current \$25m, but then

money does not appear to be an

with "other details". Those may well include the For all his reservations about identity of his team-mate. He is alongside him, arguing the benstanding. Besides, he said, he had always been quicker than slow down," he added.

Italian circles for a stronger second driver who might enable them to aspire to the constructors' championship as well as the driver's title in future seasons. No less a source than Gianni Agnelli, patriarch of the Fiat empire, has fuelled suggestions that Irvine could yet be dropped for next season by remarking on the talent of Mika Hakkinen, whose contract with McLaren-Mercedes expires at There is, however, a lobby in the end of the year. As an ex-

perienced observer of Ferrari affairs pointed out, Agnelli is feel Schumacher will still innot noted for making gratuitous

statements. Despite the seemingly endless test sessions Ferrari have had at Monza - they were at work again there yesterday -Schumacher implies Williams -Renault should be better equipped for the Italian Grand Prix Over, then, to Damon Hill and Jacques Villeneuve to resume their championship

Photograph: Jerome Delay/AP

tussie. But you cannot help

terfere with Williams's strategy before the title is decided. Given the cost of keeping Schumacher, it is perhaps convenient for Ferrari that Mariboro, one of their sponsors, are ending their 23-year association with McLaren after this season. The Woking-based team yesterday announced a five-year deal involving another tobacco

brand. West.

Biela puts title out of reach

Touring cars

Frank Biela won the Auto Trader RAC Touring Car Championship drivers' title after two thrilling races yesterday watched by the Bank Holiday crowd at Thruxton. The Audi driver, who has led the series since the start, finished second and third yesterday to put his points tally beyond the reach of his rivals.

With the German Touring Car Championship and FIA World Cup titles already on his CV, the German driver was delighted by his win: "It's been a long, hard and difficult year." he said. "I hope to be back to defend my title next year. Now the pressure is gone and I can concentrate on winning some more races before the end of the

Biela nearly added an eighth # race victory to his tally in round 21 at Thruxton; he chased David Leslie's Honda to the chequered flag, mounting several overtaking challenges along the way.

Leslie beat Biela by 0.17sec. The pattern of the race was decided at the first corner, where BMW's Jo Winkelhock attempted to force his way past Alain Menu and Will Hoy, who had been on the front of the grid in Renaults. Winkelhock and Menu made contact, Menu spun across the track and hit his team-mate and triggered an accident which accounted for both Renaults, Winkelhock, Kelvin Burt's Volvo, the Ford of Paul Radisich and James Thompson's

Vauxhall. No one was hurt. Several drivers were slowed by the incident but Leslie managed to pick his way through the debris to take the lead, pursued by Biela, Roberto Ravaglia (BMW), Rickard Rydell (Volvo) and Peter Kox, who was making his BTCC debut for BMW.

The Total Cup for privateers was won by Toyota's Lee Brookes, whose only real rival was Matt Neal in a Ford after Richard Kaye's Vauxhall failed to start.

RFU considers rival tournament

Nations television subcommittee have their way. England very shortly could be thrown out of the Five Nations Championship.

The sub-committee, minus English representatives, meets in London tonight and is expected to put forward a recommendation to the full committee ending England's participation in the tournament. But that could kick-start an alternative tournament involving top players in clubs from those very countries lined up against the Rugby Football

The RFU, who are still discussing how best to secure England's future in the Five Nations proper, have the backing of English Professional Rugby Union Clubs (Epruc). With

Leicester were given a fore-

taste of what to expect when the

European Cup starts as they

were handed any number of

sharp lessons in creativity and de-

fensive organisation while being

comprehensively outplayed by

Agen in the final of the inaugural

International Challenge Cup at

For future tournaments to be

PAUL STEPHENS

Leicester

rumours that there is a widening rift between the Welsh Rughy Union and its clubs after weekend meeting, the pointers are that an alternative tournament could become a reality. It was something Epruc

If the Welsh clubs were to break away from the WRU there is every chance they would be welcomed into the RFU fold. A precedent already exists for Welsh clubs to hold membership of the RFU. While Monmouthshire was still regarded as being in England, Newport were RFU members.

judged a success and taken

seriously, clubs will have to

field something like full-

strength teams and not treat the

event like some glorified train-

ng exercise. Even with a

£57.500 prize fund, some of the

rughy resembled nothing more

extending than touch-and-pass.

Agen took the contest more se-

riously than the others but.

even so, they made eight sub-

stitutions in a one-sided final.

Whatever doubts may exist

about the value of such events,

Bob Dwyer. Leicester's newly-

hinted at earlier this year when

a split between themselves and

the RFU was threatened.

It was only when the county was ceded to Wales and became Gwent that they switched, but not completely, to the WRU. Newport are still listed as an asDavid Llewellyn

reports on plans for an alternative to the Five Nations sociate member in the latest RFU

Handbook. An RFU committee member said last night he felt sure that

Twickenham would seriously consider the possibility of grant-ing membership to the Welsh clubs in the event of a breakaway from Cardiff, with a view to staging an alternative home international championship. It is not inconceivable that ome England-based Scottish players would be able to form a representative XV to par-ticipate in a joint Epruc-RFU international tournament. Since some 13 of Ireland's first-choice

Dwyer struggling to knock Leicester into shape

size of the task confronting

him as he attempts to reshape

Leicester's midfield to make

With fresh half-backs and a

new centre pairing, Dwyer is

short of time as he prepares for

the match against Saracens on

Dwyer said, "but Agen were

better prepared and had already

played a lot of games. But

we've no complaints, at least we

installed director of coaching. with a penalty try awarded Charles Cistacq, were coasting

finished full of fight.'

Saturday. "We wanted to win,"

them fully competitive.

was left in no doubt about the when Agen pulled down a maul

In fact, Leicester finished from Olivier Campan and Jean-

are already contracted to Eng-lish clubs for the new season and the near future, it is unlikely those clubs would be willing to release them for the proposed Four Nations tournament involving Wales, France, Scotland and Ireland. The pieces are in place for an alternative home international tournament to

become at least a possibility. There would even be money for such a venture, since BSkvB could no doubt be persuaded to offer the deals they had originally put to the other Home Unions to the respective clubs organisations of each country. The Welsh and Scots followed England's example and turned themselves into limited companies for the purpose of managing their fiscal affairs.

It would certainly be attrac-

as Leicester's forwards rolled

towards the line. Until then,

Leicester had never threatened

to score a try, being kept afloat

in torrential rain by five penal-

ties. John Liley scored the first

two before departing with a leg

injury. Matt Jones got the

others and the conversion as

Leicester hauled themselves to

But by then Agen. immea-

surably superior in defence

with some delightful touches

some sort of respectability.

Isles' leading players would be involved - including every firstchoice Englishman. The French clubs had indicated their interest in such a scheme to club representatives some months ago, and yesterday Kim Deshayes, the chief executive of Epruc, which meets today to discuss this latest turn of events, said: "It is fair to say we have to explore all options. Obviously we are providing the players and we want to be in control of our own destiny."

The announcement by the WRU chairman, Vernon Pugh, that there would be no inaugural Anglo-Welsh club tournament prompted Deshayes to say: "We feel that the Anglo-Welsh event is a very important and valid competition, and it is certainly one that we would like to preserve. We shall be showing complete solidarity with

to victory. After Cistacq had scored, Abdelatif Benazzi.

Agen's captain, left in another

bewildering bout of substitu-

tions. Benazzi clearly sensed

that his job was done, and with

Agen leading 25-15 Leicester

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contracts The Scottish Rugby Union has offered full-time contracts to 56 players as part of its plan to introduce professional rugby into Scotland.

SRU offers

56 full-time

Players who accept full-time employment will receive a basic salary of between £20,000 and £50,000 per annum. There will be additional match fees and a win bonus scheme covering the major club competitions and international matches.

Most contracts are for three years, although a small number are for one year, recognising the importance of continuity and building a strong squad for the 1999 Rugby World Cup. The contracts have been

erseen by Ken Crichton, the SRU's staffing convenor. He described the payments as "realistic and fair, in accordance with the principle of trying to keep our best players in Scotland." The SRU has recognised that some players will not wish to accept full-time contracts,

and will offer part-time contracts, with match fees and win bonuses, to those players. This is a most exciting time in Scottish rugby, with our top players now being asked to treat their sport as their full-time profession - with all the added commitment that will involve.

The SRU said they will anwho accept contracts, but they will not disclose details of in-

It will have a direct and beneficial impact on skills and fitness levels," Crichton said. nounce the names of players

dividual deals.

caps British success

Holmes' third gold

Paralympic Games

Britain gained their 39th and final gold medal of the 10-day competition at the 10th Paralympic Games in Atlanta when the swimmer Christopher Holmes won the men's 50 metres freestyle It was an impressive haul but not one to breed complacency

in the team, whose chef de mission, Tony Sainsbury, said: "We can do even better next time." For Holmes, it was a third gold in his third Paralympics. His medal helped Britam to pip Spain for fourth place overall. The United States topped the

table with 46 gold medals, 46 silver and 65 bronze, Australia were second with 42 golds and Germany third on 40. Sainsbury was delighted with the team's performance. "I said

after Barcelona [in 1992] we would need to have a wider spread of medals if we were to maintain and develop our position as one of the top nations in the world. I think we have done that and I don't think we've reached our full potential even yet, which probably has something to do with the age of some of the members of the team.

Tve been around quite a long time and this is the best team I've ever worked with. I can only see a great future for the British Paralympic movement if the promises being made by all sorts of agencies are fulfilled over the next four years." Athletics and swimming

emerged as Britain's strongest sports. There were 42 medals in athletics, including 12 golds, seven of which came with world records.

Steve Payton, who has cerebral palsy, showed all his sprinting prowess with golds at 100m, 200m and 400m in the men's T37 class, while the partiallysighted middle-distance runner Noel Thatcher showed the benefit of spending the past 12 months receiving guidance from Japan's top coaches with superb wins at 10,000m and 5,000m. In winning the former, he lowered the world record by 50 seconds despite a stress fracture in his

The injury did rule Thatcher out of the marathon, in which the partially-sighted runners Steve Brunt and Mark Farnell finished with silvers apiece in the B2 and B3 categories.

At the aquatic centre there was a haul of 48 medals, including 16 golds-seven of them with world records. Apart from three golds for the partially-sighted Holmes. another three went to Stockport's Sarah Bailey, in the women's 100m backstroke S10, 100m breaststroke SB10 and 200m in-

In a combative wheelchair basketball competition, Britain's men lifted their world ranking to second but had their gold medal chances scuppered by a rampant Australian team, who beat them 78-63 in the final.

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Amateur hour: The unpaid brigade have their moment as Luis Urbano comes home first on Arabian Story in yesterday's Silver Magnum at Epsom

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RICHARD EDMONDSON

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- 7 declared BETENG: 6-4 Kingswell floy, 5-2 Kotockebuster, 4-1 Rogal Guen, 8-1 Ting Your Forniock, 10-1 Squay Wells, 25-1 Squirellysingister, 33-1 Lily The Filly

2.45 CAFFREY'S HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS D) £3,750 added 2m 4f 110yds

122200 SHENEF (168) (D) J Hills 5 12 0 ______ C Linealitys 36P564 PRENOGUNYE (27) (C) H House 5 10 11 ______ A P MICCOY V 2-06F52 HACKETHS CROSS 50 P Scokes 8 10 10 _____ A P microsho (7) 5331-21 (12AN EDBE (15) (C) (D) J Medica 4 10 9 ____ E Hasband (2) 20215-1 90Y64 CRICUS (10) (D) P Hent 7 10 5 _____ D Stidgmenter

- D ancourse -BETUNE: 2-1 Cleam Edge, 5-2 Royal Cleans, 3-1 Shariff, 6-1 Hacdards Cross, 7-1 Precognitive

No such worries for the gen-

Dettori will not contest Deauville ban

bian Story, they had the best on offer at either end of the reins. Two-Year-Old Trophy for the second year running - Kahir Al-

The Queen's colours to their ning distance to three lengths. first success in the event. "Lord "Willie said he was running

er, is on holiday," the trainer certainly got a turn of foot," Bri-

maydan, a very useful colt, was

the winner 12 months ago -

when Indian Rocket came home

in considerable style. All six of

his rivals were previous winners,

but Willie Carson was easing

down at the line to keep the win-

away with him today and he's

an Grove, Dunlop's travelling

head lad, said. "He has got a lot of potential."

by juveniles. At Ripon, John valuable two-year-old handi- and only one of Pipe's eight en-

The 4-1 chance sauntered away

up the Epsom straight to give

Urbano his third victory in the

last four runnings of the "am-

Arabian Story, who is trained

by Lord Huntingdon, carried

Carnarvon, the racing manag-

said, "so I will have to phone

The Queen. It makes a change

because he usually phones af-

The most notable perfor-

mances at both Ripon and New-

castle yesterday were provided

5 PUP/SO-4 ABETMORFUN (14) J Bennett 10 10 0 ...

Dunlop won the Champion cap in Europe.

3.15 WELLMAN PLC NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS E) £4,200 added 3m 2f

0343-33 DUNE OF LANCASTER (5) Mis J Planen 7 11 10... W Marylon V

BETTING: 5-4 Warner's Sports, 13-8 Dutes Of Lancaster, 5-1 Saint Beneft, 14-1 Music Score, Abitmortus

3.45 STREBEL BOILERS HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS C) £5,000 added 3m 110yds

-4 declared -

ateurs' Derby".

E1.50. Duel Forecast: E3.50. Computer Streight Forecast: £8.05.

4.30: 1. HARROW WAY (A Magaire) 3-1;
2. Call Me Albi 2-1; 3. Stepleford Lady 6-4 fee. 5 ran. 2*/s., 14. (L. Wells). Totat: 23.10;
2.1.80, £1.50. Duel Forecast: £4.00. Computer Streight Forecast: £8.89. NR: Centon. 5.00: 1. CERCUS COLOURES (A Magaire) 7-2; 2. Pair Of Jactos 6-4 fee; 2. Ammus 2-1. 5 ran. ½, 1½. (J. Jenkins). Totat: £5.10; £2.00, £1.40. Duel Forecast: £3.90. Computer Streight Forecast: £9.08.

Placeport: £254.80. Quadquel: £5.90.

Place 6: £158.48. Place 5: £7.08.

HUNTINGDON HINV INVESTOR

2.15: 1. JOLES GREAT (B Fertor) evens
far, 2. Seidosh 6-1; 3. Ray Riber 7-2. 4 van.
18, 28. (M Ryan), Tota: £2.00. Dasi Forecast: £4.20. Computer £2.00. Dasi Forefel.38.

2.45: 1. FAR EAST (J Osborne) 8-1: 2. Cir.

colstion 5-1. 4 rep. 8-13 fev Yaskum (un-scated rider). 10. (B De Hean). Tota: £5.50. Dual Forecast: £15.10. Computer Straight Dual Forecast: £15.10. Computer Groups. Forecast: £35.31.

\$.15: 1. WOTTASHAMBLES (D Monte) 5-2 if-fav; 2. Weinshaad 7-2; 3. Witney-de-Bergerac 5-2 ft-fav; 8 ran. 12, nk. (L Montague Hall, Tota: £1.60; £1.50, £1.50, £1.60. Dual Forecast: £4.40. Computer Straight Forecast: £4.40.

Forecast: £4.40. Computer Straight Forecast: £12.41.
3.46: 1. SYDMONTON (M. A. Fitzgirald)
11.10 for, 2. No Snaggie 2-1; 3. Telusar Systems 8-1. 4 mm. 3%, dist. (N. Henderson). Tolar: £2.00; Dust Forecast: £2.50. Computer Straight Forecast: £2.50. Not learnings.
4.15: 1. EDNE BY (G. Bradley). 11. 4; 2. John Tuffy 11-4; 3. Vain Prince 5-2. 4 mm. 9-4 fee. Leyhem Low (44h). 1%, 3%, 0. Useriand. Total: £3.30. Dust Forecast: £6.30. Computer Straight Forecast: £9.74.
4.46: 1. SANTELLA BOY (J. Rainor). 8-13 for, 2. Kinggitand Teveriner 11-6; 3. Ballad Ruiser 12-1. 3 mm. 4, dist. (C. Marin). Total: £1.40. Dust Forecast: £1.40. Computer Straight Forecast: £1.84. Quantipot: £6.30. Place 6: £367.44. Place 5: £178.63.

NEWCASTLE
2.06: 1. PERSIAN FAYRE (K Darley)
12:1; 2. Keston Pond 11:-2; 3. Jo Biel 11:-1.
12 ran. 5-2 (so Diving Quest (4h), 3%, 1%, I)
I Berry, Coctecham). Total: £15.80; £3.90,
£1.40, £3.50, Dual Forecast: £39.00. Computer Straight Forecast: £71.15. Thicast: £892.51. Thic £55.20.

puter Straight Forecast: £71.15. Tricast: £892.51. Tric: £5.20.

2.88:1.08(2485189.5121.1 (*Quirn*) 5-1;
2. Embryonic 7-1; 3. Harbour latend 12-1.
10 ran. 4-1 fav Daning, 5, 1%, (*) Durloy,
Anundell. Tote: £7.50; £2.50, £2.20, £4.10.
Dual Forecast: £265.6 Tecast: £363.64. Tric: £108.20.
3.05: 1. ThE FLY (R 1983) 7-1; 2. Demolition Mann 9-2 fav; 3. Vagashood Chambeuse 20-1; 4. Bich in Love 25-1, 20 rat. 3. Sixt-hd. (B Hills, Lambourn). Tote: £8.10; £2.50, £1.50, £1.05.0, £4.60. Dual Forecast: £23.40. Computer Straight Forecast: £34.47. Tricast: £925.51. Et.; £1.871.90.
3.40: 1. HAGNOM (W Ryen) 6-1; Deadheat 2. Flame Valley £2.4 Rosest in The Solve £5.40. Dual Forecast: £5.25. £21.30, £1.50, £1. racest Hagwah, Rame Velley 216.26, Hagwah, Roses in The Snow £73.99. Triceast Hagwah, Roses in The Snow £380.96, Hagwah, Roses in The Snow £380.96, Hagwah, Roses in The Snow, Rame Velley £447.21. Tric. £204.30.

Hagsen, Roses in The Show, Famile Veney \$4.72.1, Trice \$20.430.

4.10: 1, REDWING (X Darley) 9-2 for; 2, Reutciones State 8-1; 3. Treat 5-1; 13 ran. Hd, nk () Durlop, Aundel), Rote: \$4.00; 51.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.00, Dual Forecast: \$24.10, Rote \$1.51.20, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, Dual Forecast: \$24.10, Rice \$1.51.20, \$2.50, \$2.

NEWTON ABBOT 2.30: 1. NORTH BANNISTER () Galagher) 15-8 fav; 2. Bravo Star 12-1; 3. Rozan 6-1. 8 man. 2, 1. († McGouern), Totar £2.70; £1.30, £2.50, £1.30. Dual Forecast; £17.30. Com-

puter Straight Forecast: £23.10, Theast: £108.56. £109.56.
3.00:1. RE ROX (T J Marphy) 2-1; 2. Million Dancer 1-2 fay; 3. Abropps 11-1.5 ras.
11h. 11h. U Fox). Teta: £3.50; £1.30, £1.20. Dual Foxecast: £1.70. Computer Straight Foxecast: £1.60.
3.30:1. CLETON SET (R DURNOOM) 2-5 fay; 2.98: Of A Touck 25-1; 2. Minory Bound 8-1. 6 ras. £1, 11h. (C. Marri), Total: £1.50; £1.20. £4.90. Dual Foxecast: £12,90. Computer Straight Foxecast: £10,87.

4.00: 1. PETER MOMARY () Walsh) 7-4
fav; 2. Genne Differman 5-1; 3. Stemby 9-4.
10 ran. 3, 2. (M Pice) Tota: 13, 10; £1.40,
£1.60, £1.30. Dual Forecast: £6.10. Computer Straight Forecast: £12.71.
4.30: 1. MAGGOTTS GREEN (7) Murphy)
13-8 fav; 2. Dulte Of Dreams 4-1; 3. Wingipson 11-2.7 ran. 9, 10. (M Bradley).
Tota: £2.90; £1,70, £2.20. Dual Forecast: £4.20. Computer Straight Forecast: £9.20.
Thrast: £2.35. NR! Gabesh.
5.00: 1. BLASKET HERIO IS MCNOT) 3-1; 2. The Mindler 7-1; 3. Evangistics 13-8 k5su. 5 ran. 13-8 k-fav Forecast: £9.0; £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60; £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60, £1.60. Piece 6: £15.80. Piece 6: £15

REPON
2.10: 1. NAVASHA (I Carroll 9.4 far; 2. Unitedown Territory 7-2; 3. Juley Ting 6-1. 12 fan. 2, 2% (I Berry). Brite: 13. 70; £1.60, £1.40, £2.50. Dual Forecast: £4.30. Computer Straight Forecast: £11.48. Tito: £23.70. 2.40: 1. BLISY FLIGHT (II Hing) 7-4; 2. Musticoloured 10-11 far; 3. Monart Pleasant 13-2. 5 ran. 6, 3. (B Hills). Your £2.70; £1.30, £1.10. Dual Forecast: £1.70. Computer Straight Forecast: £3.79.

£1.30, £1.10. Dual Forecast: £1.70. Com-puter Straight Forecast: £3.79. 3.10: 1. Attention D ROCK (D Harrison) 5-2 g. fav. 2. Bollin Frank 4-1; 3. Spanish Var-diet 18-1, 7 cas. 5-2; f-2v Salemanh (4th). Nt., 9. U Fanshawe). Tota: £3.10: £1.90, £2.00. Dual Forecast: £6.60. Computer Straight Forecast: £1.31. 8.45: 1. NIDIAN ROCKET (W Carton) 6-4

3.45: 1. INDIAN ROCKET (W Carton) 6-4 fer; 2. Outche City 9-2; 3. Just Visibing 6-1. 7 mm. 3. 0 Dursion; Totes: 22.60; 51.70. £2.60. Dual Forecast: £6.60. Computer Straight Forecast: £9.03.

4.15: 1. INMESANT (K Ster) 10-1; 2. Never Think Twice 9-1; 3. Middle East 12-1; 4. Croese Cymnes 13-2. 13 mm. 4-1 6v Both Dorothy. 6, 2. (R McKellar). Totes: £12.80; 53.60, £2.30, £3.40, £1.90. Dual Forecast: £22.20. Computer Straight Forecast: £105.05. Triesst: £1.079.80. Trie: £397.1.0.

4.45: 1. CONTRACT BRIDGE (A McKellar).

4.45; 1. CONTRACT BRIDGE (A Mc-Carty) 10-1; 2. Cambrian Macatro 7-1; 3. Lila Pedigo 8-1, 13 ran, 6-1 fav Nassem Asahar, Shi-hd. 11/4. (C Thornton), Total £18.70; £3.80, £2.60, £2.00. Dual Fo £18.70; £3.80, £2.80, £2.00. Dual Rotecas; £59.70. Computer Smight Forecas; £78.85. Thost: £554.17. Tro: £83.90. Placepot: £46.30. Quadpet: £94.10. Place &: £67.38. Place 5: £48.20.

SOUTHWELL

52.40.
3.00: 1. ANDRELOT (A P McCoyl 9-4; 2. Magic Bloom 7-4; 3. Georgia Ashdord 13-8 fev. 4 rac. 4, rk. (P Bowen). Totas: 53.60.
Dual Forecast: £2.80. Computer Straight Fore-

2.30: 1. WHALE MAKET () Restort 5-6 for; 2. Seehawk Retriever 5-4; 3. Hzzel 5-1. 3 ran. 2, dist. (R Phillips). Totac £1.80. Dual Forecast: £1.40. Computer Straight Forecast:

the second secon

nari 8-1; 2. Riva'is Book 9-4 lav; 3. North-ern Nation 5-1. 7 ran. 1½, dist. (J. Mulins). Totac £7.50; £2.40, £2.20. Duel Forecast £6.70. Computer Straight Forecast: £24.77. 4.00: 1. ORDOG MOR (A P McCoy) 1-6 to: 2. Arrange A Genne 40-1; 3. Crown Ivory 5-1. 4 van. Dest, 6. (M Meegrer). Tota: £1.20. Dual Forecast; £6.90. Computer Straight Fore-

The Fly is trained by Barry Hills, and closely related to

the trainer's popular stayer,

Further Flight, but it was his

colour, rather than his breeding,

which attracted his owner,

Catherine Corbett. "By chance

Barry Hills heard that I loved

greys and he said I must have

this one," Mrs Corbett said.

"Now I'm glad that I did." Oth-

er useful greys to have raced in

her colours include Nicer, De-

sirable and the chaser Morceli.

Grey is what Martin Pipe is

rapidly turning as he attempts

tries came home in front.

4.15 SQUARE AND COMPASS HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS C) £6,500 added 2m 4f

4.45 CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' NOVICE HURDLE (CLASS F) £2,650 added 2m

531222 LANCER (USA) (5) R Junies 4 11 2 R Mansey
12 MILJON DANCER (25) (D) (B7) M Ppc 4 11 2 D Visitin
03 NUTA HIVER (USA) (10) P Delton 6 10 12 D Parter B
04 MILLOW YELLOW (10) J Marke 5 10 12 E Horband

6- **GOOD (312)** D Thora 4 10 9...... KTMEN D Muray Smith 4 10 4....

num weight 10st. True harditop weight; Micherado 9sr 12to. TME: 4-5 Mankara, 2-1 Costi D'Estraval, 5-1 Micherado

Just as impressive was the fin- to realise his cherished ambition

ishing kick by The Fly which car-ried him from last to first in the meeting. His latest attempt, at

final furlong of the Blaydon
Nursery at Newcastle, the most

Newton Abbot yesterday, did
not even survive the first race,

Dust rotecas: 58.12.
4.30: 1. SBBANO (I Calagran) 4-1; 2. Min-heatots Fets 5-1; 3. Summer Villa 6-1. 9 rad. 3-1 i-leas Tournbio (4th), in e. Mon (6th). 3, 14. (G M Moore). Totac E5.70; £2.00, £2.10, £1.30. Dust Forecast puter Straight Forecast: £24.55. 5.00: 1. FRONTIER FLIGHT (SWyrne) 7-1;

5. The E Thon 8-1; 3. Verde Laus; 7-4 fav. 5 rsm. 15, 22. Unise I. Siddel), Totas 68, 70; £1.30, £3.30, Dasi Forcass: £22.00. Com-puter Straight Forecast: £45.53. Placepot: £550.60. Quedpot: £69.80; £50.73 a carried forward to Ripon today. Place 6: £596.76. Place 5: £308.33. WARWICK

2.00: 1. SHARP HAT UF Egan) 10-1: 2. Timicarbell 12-1: 3. Namt Y Gasner 9-2. 9 rat. 7-4 tay Song Mist (5th). 1, 174. (R Han-ron). Tota: £16.80: £3.30. £2.10. £1.70. Dual Forecast: £34.80. Computer Straight Forecast: £100.84. Tricast: £524.80. Tho: £51.70.

2.30: 1. INCHYRE († Sprake) 8-15 tar; 2. Promothilidelity 9-2; 3. Lovely Morning 20-1. 6 ran. 1½, 3. (R Charton). Tute: £1.50; £1.10, £1.90, Dual Forecast; £2.30. Com-Dust Straight Forecast: £3.17.
3.00: 1 SCARLET CRESCENT (T Sprate)
3-1 tav; 2. Particles 7-2: 3. GRIT Tolken 14-1.
7/ par. Str.-hd, 1. (*) Walwyn), Totes £3.80;
£1.80, £1.80, £7.10. Dust Forecast: £4.10.

COMPLIES STREET FORCES: £13.54. INC: £40.50.
3.30:1. GLESSTMATION (5 Bartwell) 3-1 fer; 2. Danualtur 6-1; 3. Flight Master 5-1. 15 can. Hd, 29. (1 Pearce). Tota: £4.00; £1.70, £2.30, £2.40. Dual Forceast: £18.30.

Computer Straight Forecast: £22,86. Tru: £22,80. 4.00: 1. GOLDEN ARROW (R Hustes) 3-1 far; 2. Upper Sallery 11-2; 3. Stompin 5-1. 9 ram. 1/s, 4. (M Pipe). Teter: 14.00; £1.50, £2.80. Duel Forecast: £23.10. Computer Straight Forecast: £19.35. Thoast: £74,22. Tho: £35.20. 4,30: 1. WHNDRUSH BOY (Almee Cook)

4.30: 1. WHIDRUSH BOY (Almee Coold 11-1: 2. Paleogate Touch 3-1 k-far; 3. Superbit 12-1: 14 ran, 3-1 k-far Hango Rock, Nit, nit. (J. Bosley). Tota: £17.90; £2.70, £1.40, £3.30. Dual Porecast: £28.10. Compaier Straight Forecast: £44.47. Far; £195.50. £.00: 1. VENI VIOI VICI (G. Carteri 18-1; 2. Windameeyt, 11.-1; 3. Confesseer 9-4 fav. 15-min. 17., min-to. (M. Heaton-Biell). Tota: £19.70; £3.30. £4.20. £1.50. Dual Porecast: £88.20. Compaier Straight Procest: £172.45. Tricast: £509.02. Tric. £133.30. Planepot: £21.40. Quadpot: £5.20. Planepot: £21.73. Plane St. £8.28.

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l	4	040400	PUBLIC WAY (17) (D) (N Chamberlan) N Chamberlan 5 6 9	
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ı	6	044653	TANKE DEER (21) (Matte (/Toole) M Chapman 488	D & McCab
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i	8	334090	DISPOL DIAMORD (27) (W B Imisor) G Oldroyd 3 8 0	F Unch G
	9	44	FELL FRENK SLUES (21) (Dennis Newton) J L Eyre 3 8 0	T William
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BETERE: 7-4 Ralabow Top, 9-4 Heliotitie, 6-1 Amonyss, 8-1 Special-K, 10-1 Tame Deer, 14-1 Dis-pol Diamond, 16-1 others 1999: Special-K 3 8 2 G Hind 5-2 (E Weymas) 8 ion

The very largest at response (LTM 21 121/95) on this most recent start and, getting only 20 from William Haggies's unions river, may again play second fiddle. Reinflow Top has been plagued by sore stims and has been freeze fired. He did not make his debut until January, withing on the Lingfield Equitorick, and scored again on the same surface the following morth. He can unplaced in his first two turt races, at Chester and York, but gained that Haggiotick (claimer) victory in most impressive leathon. This will be his first attempt at a mile but he should not be inconvenienced. The pick of the others may be Special-K.

3	3.30	WEATHERBYS/HISCOX INSURANCE HANDIO £4,200 added 2m Penalty Value £2,968	AP (CLASS E)
1	6-50220	SONCLETE COURT (11) () Hanson; B Hats 4 10 0	M H2bs 11
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	5-51160	2000 VEREER (USA) (45) (CD) (D C Barer) W Storry 5 9 4	_lona Wynds (7) 12
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6	24-0002	MON VENTAGE (18) (Han Mann) M Chapman 5 9 2	
7	61211 4	SHIRLEY SUE (11) (D) (BF) (Greenland Park Ltd) M Johnston 3 9 1	
8	41/0005	JUNEAN (36) (Robert Gattons) J Berhell 58 10	
	502533	ARCADY (22) (Windsor House Racing) P Walken 3 8 9	Carroll 4
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PORNI GUIDE John Dunlop does well with his three-year-old stayers at this time of year and SNI FOR GOLD, stapping up to two make for the first time and at home with cut in the ground, can overcome a 91-day absence. Successful in a Chepstow (soit) maiden last season, she found the going too heely when favourise and fourth to Docklands Limp at Notingshe found the going too lively when favourite and fourth to Doddands Limo at Nottingham (1m 20) on her return and ran much better next time when third of 18 to Strategic Ploy at Leicaster. The longer troy will help. Sharley Save was winning for the fourth time this term when defeating linete Doug by a couple of lengths at Thirsk on her perultimate start and, provided she handles the ground, can confirm superiority on 550 worse terms. She was besten fittle more then a length when fourth to En Vacances at Newbory last time. Nos Visitings, a useful hurdler, ran by far his best race from three starts on the Flat this year when besten a couple of lengths by Caron Can at Newmarket. Good Haad, who proved a grand senorit for 88 What's yard for many years, was claimed for £10,000 after scoring at Redicar in Juna, going to Stare Kertiewell. He has been besten in three Plat races from his new yard but tended the odds in a three-and-a-quarter mile molden hurdle on his debut over timber at Cartinel last Thursdey. Zambanere grand consocutive with at Newcastle and over course and distance in May and is not out of it even if he has nun unplaced in both starts since.

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NORTH REEF can be another winner for the in-form Sir Mark Prespott/George Duffield
combination. Winner of his first two races in 1995 on soft ground, the five-year-old was
having his first race in a year when going under by a length to Another Time at Lingfield
three weeks ago. The selection followed with a creditable third to Daumting Destiny at
Haydock five days later and, with a 215 advantage, can turn around the Lingfield form with
Another Time, though this meal can again take care of subsequent Chester winner Break
The Ralies, whom he massered by a length over course and distance in June and meets
on marginally worse terms. NI Ctal Sargis, following a good run against Yeast at Ascot, was
sevourite in Gaidys Althorpe's race at Redicar but firshed in the ruck after being struck
after lies Could trouble the best of these. Sandwissor Chembray, a York June scorer, was
sinishing numer-up for the fifth time this term when beaten a length and a half by Ninia
hers last time and can reverse eafter running with Walfs, who finished a long way in front
of him when they were fourth and hinth of 10 behind Bulsara at Newcastie. Sheep Conset, successful at Leicester (good to soft) in May and at Windsor on his most recent run,
has had his prospects increased by the recent rain.

Selections NORTH REEF

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All the better for her first amemor, when a creditable soth of 19 to Catecham in a de-cent manden at Newbury, INJAZAAT can take this. Jackson Falls divided Pun and Eu-ralink Spanacus in a first of heads on his introduction at York last month. The third has been beaten byice arise but Jackson Falls is centain to progress and looks histaat's bugh-est that. Dangs, favourite, attest an uncessy one, when beaten a length and a quarter by The Deelay on his debut at Newcastie in Ady, finished unplaced against The Fly at Ayr next time, both over Seven furiongs but may do better at this su. Selection: INJAZAAT

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EXPRESS 1889, is one of only two in this tace proven on good to soft going. Her consequence wins at Harmston in May and at Ayr the following month were gained on such a surface and her two unplaced efforts since were both on good to time. Vescapong, the only other to have shown anything on this ground, finished a length second to Victoria's Dream in a seller at Haydock three races back but has been implaced in both runs since. The threat may be No Extradition. He has shown little in three races since by definite fourth to Chaine Sari at Newcastle but might improve on the ground. Bold Afficient represents David Beans, who is having a great run in nurseries. He was writing for the third time from his lest four outness when become Divide And Rate two lengths into third at Haydock with slow-starting No Extradition in the nucle. Bold African can confirm the form on 4th worse terms although it remains to be seen now both he and Divide And Rate with some on the tother than the first time. Selections EXPRESS GRO.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Whole community lifted as St Helens become champions of inaugural Super League in convincing fashion

Saints feast after ending Wigan's reign

DAVE HADFIELD

Warrington

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The Stones Super League Championship has one thing in common with the plain old Championship that preceded it. It is won by the best team in the land and St Helen's did so yesterday in a manner than underlines the fact that, after Wigan's long dominance, that is precisely what they have become.

It would not have been in Saints nature of traditions to grind out a narrow win to take the title. Instead they swept aside a Warrington team whose main contribution to proceedings came when their football manager, Alex Murphy, led the guard of honour of the last double-winning Saints of 1966 that welcomed their successors back on to the pitch to receive

That set Saints' achievement in its context. Their last Championship was in 1975 and their last double came before England won the World Cup.

"I have told the players that they have made history today," said their coach, Shaun McRae, who walked quietly out at the end of the queue for his turn on the rostrum. "This is the one we have worked for all season."

To take the spoils after so many years of frustration would have been bliss enough for a season's best crowd of more than 18,000. To break Wigan's seven-year sequence in the process was almost an excess of happiness for spectators who chanted: "Hand it over, pie-eaters."

Their captain, Bobbie Goulding, who won two doubles with Wigan, does not believe that such an era of domination will ever be repeated.

"I don't think anyone will ever do that again, but we haven't finished yet - we've still got the Premiership to play

Although Warrington have looked a far better team than the one humiliated at Knowsley Road twice last season, and have the prospect of a top-four place to play for themselves, the signs were there from the very first minute that they were not destined to spoil Saints' party.

That was now long it took St



St Helens line up in celebration after their 66-14 defeat of Warrington at Knowsley Road yesterday clinched the Super League title

Helen's to score the first of their 13 tries, Karle Hammond releasing Joey Hayes down the right. The young winger had the presence of mind when his way was blocked to kick high towards the Warrington sticks, where Tommy Martyn leapt above Mark Forster and Ian Knott to take the ball on his finger-tips and score.

for Warrington produced a disallowed try five minutes later, Richard Henare knocking the ball forward before Paul Huime touched down.

Saints immediately made the most of their escape, Alan Hunte's break taking them to the other end of the field and long passes from Goulding and Chris Joynt opening the way for

Saints' back-line pyrotechnics barely failed to take the eye, but much of their success this season has also been due to the ower and penetration of their

Apollo Perelini; surely the best prop in Britain, provided perfect example, battering his way through a series of tackles to stretch a defence charging through again to es-which could not regroup in tablish the position and Joynt tackles to stretch a defence

MIKE CAREY

reports from Headingley

Yorkshire 529-8 dec

Lancashire 323 and 231-7

time when Martyn's pass sent Paul Newlove striding in. Warrington's only success in the first half came when Paul Sculthorpe chipped ahead, Steve Prescott failed to pick up the ball on the bounce and Forster kicked ahead twice to score.

It never threatened to interrupt Saints' flow, Newlove and Keiron Cunningham linking to send in Hunt. Newlove is playing with pain-

killing injections in his foot, but all the pain yesterday was inflicted by him. It was not so much a question of whether Saints would score again, but how; in the event, they did so through Newlove scooping up Martyn's pass.

Warrington should have had

half-time, thanks to Goulding's precise cross-kick and Mar-tyn's stipped pass to Sullivan. Saints continued in this carefree mode in the second half. Hunt, Derek McVey and Sullivan all going through increasingly

oken Warrington resistance. Henare did get over in the corner for the visitors, but the game was already far down the road of too many this season, with one defence virtually ceasng to operate.

Worse than that, Warrington presented Hunt and Goulding with further tries from farcical interceptions. Mateaki Mafi managed another little gesture for a club which is kidding itself if it honestly believes it can field better team without lestyn Harris, but Hayes and Adam Fogerty completed the rout.

Having completed the Cup

and League double, Saints now start their bid for a treble with a Premiership semi-final against the London Broncos, secured in fourth place by Warrington's defeat, next Sunday. London have to hope that this week's party-ing will take its toli - nothing else seems likely to stop Saints in this mood.

That mood extends far beyond the team and into the town itself. "This is a great example of how sport can lift a community." Saints' chief executive, David Howes, said . "This is a town that has suffered economically, and this is its biggest shot in its arm for decades.

McRae, surely on his way to being offered the freedom of the place, admitted that he had not realised how much it meant to the town until the morning of the match. "I went out for a paper and I was being stopped all the time. I was even stopped by a police car. I thought I was in strife for a moment, but they only wanted an autograph," he

McRae had undeniably put his mark on this season, already one full of significant departures for the game of Rugby League. If the overall success of Super League is still a matter for debate, in St Helens the change has all been for the better.

sixth try three minutes before Downpour keeps Yorkshire at bay

Britannic Assurance County Championship

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1-0-19-0; Walter 1-0-19-0.
Umpires: B Dudieston and G Sharp.

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> TODAY'S NUMBER

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The number of goals scored over the Bank Holiday weekend by the Essex non-League football club Braintree Town. The Icis League outfit scored six without reply at home to Wingate & Finchley on Saturday, and then won 6-1 at Tring Town yesterday.

2.55pm, and although Darren Gough raised Yorkshire's expectations with two wickets with successive deliveries, a deluge after tea ended the proceedings when Lancashire were 25 ahead with three wickets left.

Anyone who had watched the three previous days might have guessed that the weather, rather than Lancashire, would deny Yorkshire victory in the Roses match yesterday, and so it

The lengthy delay might have persuaded any watching Lancastrians that their side, who had performed so indifferently for resilience to get through the scheduled remaining 28 overs, Play could not begin until plus the final hour.

Indeed, the overnight pair, Nick Speak and Warren Hegg. battered with much aplomb. There were no serious alarms until Gough, having not quite managed it on a couple of earlier occasions, eventually produced an inswinging yorker which hit the base of Speak's middle and leg stumps.

Speak, having battled it out much of the match, might at last for 250 minutes with a self-summon up enough fibre and discipline not shown by too many of his colleagues, could take some consolation from the knowledge that it was the

sort of ball that would probably have dismissed any batsman anywhere at any time. Having duly noted that, the

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one other try, Henare goin

over the line after splendid

approach work from Kelly

but Sullivan demonstrated

Saints' ferocious enthusiasm

by chasing back and clattering

him over before he could

There were no such errors

from Saints as they claimed their

ground the ball.

ford and Toa Kohe-Love,

next man in, Glen Chapple, pushed only half forward to his first ball and was bowled via an inside edge. Richard Green, who was coming in on a hattrick for the second time in the match, survived, but Gough later put him through the mill with an over during which he produced almost his entire repertoire, but the batsman

Gough emerged from the game with eight wickets for 101, the second-best match figures of his career. More importantly, perhaps, England will take some much-needed heart from the knowledge that he has got his swinging yorker working again. After Gough's flurry, Yorkshire walked out full of hope after tea, but soon afterwards the ground was under water, leaving their captain David Byas to reflect that his 33rd birthday might have been so different.

Surrey left too short of time

ROUND-UP

Surrey's hopes of wringing a result from the soggy remnants of their match against Nottinghamshire ultimately came to nothing when more rain forced an abandonment with only 50 minutes play possible on the final day, writes Jon Culley from Trent Bridge.

It was especially frustrating for the title contenders because, despite the loss of almost half the first three days, circumstances had contrived to offer them an outside chance of victory. A wet outfield delayed the

start until 2pm and Surrey then declared their first innings where they had left it on Saturday, in response to which Nottinghamshire forfeited their second innings to give the visitors a target of 319 from a mini-mum of 59 overs.

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Stockpool v Boomemooth (7.30)
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SECOND DIVISION
Brentford v Gillingham
Bristol City v Luton
Burnley v Shrewsbury
Chestorfield v Walsali

Had the weather stayed fine, Surrey would have fancied themselves at least to go close against a lightweight attack and Darren Bicknell's five early boundaries underlined their confidence as they reached 53 without loss. No sooner had the contest re-

sumed then dark clouds began to gather around the ground and more rain arrived during the 13th over, forcing the players off the field and then developing into a prolonged downpour. Surrey's seven points may yet prove valuable but for the moment they drop back in the

Championship race on a day when the weather was kinder to some more than others. Leicestershire were even more frustrated by the elements. Instead of gong to the top of the table they found themselves one wickets short of an innings victory against Hampshire.

Derlington v Colchester (7.30) — Exeter v Doncaster — Hartispool v Mansfield (7.30) — Hereford v Hall (7.30) — Lincoln v Combridge Util (7.30) —

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP
SECOND ROUND
Aindrie V Dunder (7.30)
East Fife v Falldrik (7.30)
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After mopping up the visitor's first innings for 137 they enforced the follow-on and in between the breaks for rain they took wickets at frequent intervals - six wickets fell for 69 runs in 32 overs in the afternoon session – as Hampshire staggered in to tea at 98 for 7. The final-wicket pair were at

the crease with the score on 105 and James Bovill and Simon Renshaw took the score to 135 for 9 before the rain intervened for the final time. That allowed Essex, who had

no such problems with the weather, to join Kent on the top with 212 points. Their fifth successive win came against Gloucestershire by an innings and 64 runs. Neil Williams returned his

best figures for Essex, finishing with 5 for 43, as the visitors were bowled out of 188 after resuming on 27 for 4. Only Monte TODAY'S FIXTURES

& Mitcham. Grandlan Insarrance Cap proliminary round: Banstead v Camberley (7.30); Chaiford St Peter v Leighton (7.30); Cheshurt v Horshern (7.30); East Thurnock v Capton; Egham v Coffer Row & Rounford (7.30); Hernel Hempsteed v Berlding (7.30); Herthord v Edglarne (7.30); Northwood v Windson & Eon (7.30); Southarl v Tibury (7.30); Were v Aueley (7.30); Weston v Registor v Registor v Registor (7.30); Werthiley v Bracknell; Witham v Wingste & Finchey (7.30); Weston v Registor v Prejistor v Prejistor v Registor v Registor v Registor v Prejistor v Peterstor v Releasthart Mach v Sudbuy Town; Mewharles v Great varmouth; Tiptree v Bury Town; Werbogs v Wishert; Mondbridge v Cacon.
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SCREWPIX DIRECT LEAGUE Premier Divi-sion: Bristol Manor Farm v Chippenham (7.30); Elmore v Chard; Westbury v Caine (7.30).

Emmer v Chart; Westbury v Calne; (7.30).
UNILET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE First Division (all 7.30): Burgess Hill v Whitehand;
Horsham YACA v Three Bridges; Oskwood v Hassodis; Pagham v Wick Ringmer v Pascehaun & Telscombe.
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much of a fight. Lynch struck nine boundaries in an entertaining 50 before being caught behind off Ashley Cowan, Russell was last out, another Cowan victim, following a belligerent 57 from 76 deliveries which included 11 fours and one six. It was Russell's second half century of the match. Kent's chances of taking a

clear lead were frustrated by Glamorgan. After Kent batted on in the morning, the home side forfeited their first innings and Kent did the same with their second to set a target of 324 off a minimum of 70 overs. Two quick wickets would have

raised Kent's hopes of victory but Hugh Morris and Matthew Maynard soon stopped that. They on 94 and then the opener added 136 with Tony Cottey. eventually being dismissed for 118 and 70 respectively.

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Healy leads Australia to easy victory Ian Healy led Australia to a 125run win over Zimbabwe in the

inaugural match of a four-nation tournament in Colombo, Sri Lanka, yesterday.
It was the Queensland wicketkeeper's first triumph as Australia's captain. Zimbabwestarted disastrously and never recovered as they set out in pur-suit of Australia's 263 for 7 in the

allotted 50 overs. Zimbabwe were all out for 138 in 41 overs. Zimbabwe could not cope with Australia's bowling attack of Glenn McGrath, Damien Fleming, Paul Reiffel and Steve Waugh. Grant Flower (7), Andy Flower (0), Alistair Campbell (9) and Brian Wishart (0) were all back in the pavilion with Zimbabwe's score at 35.

Earlier, a sparkling 82 by Steve Wangh off 70 balls, which included five fours and three sixes, and half-centuries by Michael Slater and Ricky Ponting, who had scored an unbeaten 103 in a practice match against the Sri anka Colts on Thursday, highlighted Australia's innings.

Zimbabwe's Alistair Campbell, also leading his country for the first time, used seven bowlers in his efforts to stall the Australian advance.

going on to the final on Sep-

Despite fears, the Australians faced neither security threat nor hostile crowd as Healy led his team out of the ground after victory in the dayand-night match. Australia, Zimbabwe, India and Sri Lanka play each other in the competition, with the top two teams.

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JOHN ROBERTS reports from New York

The United States Open was able to set aside all the rows over seedings and torn-up draw sheets when tennis broke out yesterday. It was good to see people hitting shots instead of calling them.

Michael Stich, who would have been among the seeds had not the US Tennis Association been reminded of the Grand Siam rules, advanced to the second round after a difficult match against Tommy Haas, an 18-year-old German compatriot. Haas, a qualifier ranked No

237 in the world, made an impressive start to his Grand Slam career. He led 2-0 in the fourth set, only for Stich to recover his form, forget a sore shoulder, and win 6-3, 1-6, 6-1, 7-5. Only a fortnight ago, Haas reached the quarter-finals of his

first professional tournament, having been given a wild card for the ATP Tour event in Indianapolis. He lost to the best Pete Sampras.

Born in Munich, Haas is based at the Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy in Florida. "I believe Tommy has the potential to be as good as, or better than, any player ever to come out of the academy - and that inludes Andre Agassi," Bollet-

Stich, the runner-up to Agassi here in 1994 and a finalist at this year's French Open, has lost in the opening round of Grand Slam championships on six occasions. Haas saw that his opponent was vulnerable, but experience told at the finish.

The first seed to fall was in the women's singles, Bulgaria's Magdalena Maleeva, No 12, losing to the 110th-ranked Aleksandra Olsza, of Poland, 6-4, 6-4. Martina Hingis opened proceedings on the Stadium Court, defeating Angeles Mon-tolio, of Spain, 6-1, 6-0 in a hour.

Militancy seems to go with the territory here at Flushing Meadows, which experienced many a chill from the Cold War during in the Super Cup. its time as the temporary head-That was three decades before the serious business of international tennis took hold of the place with the transfer of the US Open from Forest Hills.

The fresh face of Britain's Tim Henman was to be found among 50 of the world's leading players the other day when the ATP Tour warned the US Open - and the three other Grand Slam championships that it expects seedings to adhere to rankings in future.

Back in 1988, Mats Wilander was a leading ATP spokesman against the tennis establishement at what was tantamount to a strike meeting in the park at Flushing Meadows, a major development which led to the breakaway ATP tour in 1990.

Wilander did a lot more than talk in in 1988. He won three of the four Grand Slam singles titles (Wimbledon eluded him, as ever) and the Swede's US Open triumph against Ivan Lendi el-evated him to world No 1.

After that, Wilander's brilliant career went into decline, but he continues to campaign, aged 32 and ranked No 174. It is to be hoped that a leg injury does not prevent him from competing against Henman in a first-round match that may contribute to the young Briton's education.



Le Tissier has goals to achieve under Hoddle

Hopes for Hendry

Craig Brown is confident that the Blackburn defender Colin The Watford striker David

in his club's 2-2 draw against string injury during Saturday's Manchester United at Old Traf-2-0 home defeat by Millwall.

the loss of John Spencer of ter's Emile Heskey could also

Chelsea and Blackburn's Billy miss out the trip to Chisinau.

GLENN MOORE Football Correspondent

ly get picked for England because they are playing well. Glenn Hod-

dle agreed after his first day of training at Bisham Abbey yesterday that was why Andy Hinchcliffe and Mark Draper had been summoned to bolster his injury-hit squad. "The timing was right," said the new coach.

Then in walks Matt Le Tissier to bluntly admit: "1 thought I would have to play better than I am to get back." His selection for the squad to travel to Moldova at the weekend is a triumph of faith over form. Le Tissier is an outstanding player playing badly. The problem is, he is well aware of this and it is not helping him play any better. Hoddle's task this week is to restore Le Tissier's self-belief.

"I suppose I am not the first person to be called up when not at the top of his form," Le Tissier said. "A different manager might not have picked me. Now it is up to me to prove myself. I hope I take my chance better this time. It is 18 months since I was last involved and it feels like a long time.

"I am not low on confidence but it is not as high as it was two years ago. Players like me thrive on scoring goals and creating chances, and it does not feel good knowing I only scraped into double figures last season.
"I have got frustrated with my-

self. It is difficult because we [Southampton] have not been I get the ball, I try to do some-thing different all the time, try to he said I was not suited to his style there are a lot of players here create something, because I don't know when I'll get it back." It was put to Le Tissier that it

might have been different had his audacious first-minute chip against Chelsea in Southampton's opening game gone in in-stead of hitting the bar. "I've thought that to myself quite a few times," he said, before adding: "It would have beloed if that hadn't been the only contribution I made in the game." Le Tissier was then asked if he was aware of how big the debate is about him playing for England. "Yes, and it is a pain in the arse."

Hoddle's appointment has reopened a debate that appeared to have been won by Terry Venables. Venables had been criticised for dropping Le Tissier after the abortive match in Dublin but, as Le Tissier's form dipped and England's fortunes rose, the ent-

Hendry will be fit for Scotland's opening World Cup qualifying match in Austria on Saturday.

Hendry shrugged off the dis-

comfort of a groin injury to play

ford on Sunday.

"His problem is a deep seat-

ed groin injury but he has been

playing with it and he should be

okay," said the Scotland man-

ager, who has no plans to draft

in replacement players despite

of play; if that's the case that is up to him. I always believed if I began playing better I would get another chance but I did not deserve to be picked on my form last season. "I watched the European

Championship. I'd been able to prepare myself. I knew I was not going to be involved from a long way out — it was not as if I had been to Hong Kong and then been left out. I was off the edge of my seat when England scored, like any Englishman should have been."

Hoddle's biggest problem may be where to play Le Tissier. Even the player himself is not sure. I can score goals, but I can create goals, too. It would be easier if I was only very good at one of them. A lot of international teams now play with one forward up and one playing ics fell silent. "I never had a cross word with Terry," Le Tissier managers have tended to play

Connolly is out of the Republic

of Ireland squad for their World

Cup Group Eight qualifying tie away to Liechtenstein on Sat-

urday after picking up a ham-

Manchester United's Nicky

Butt, Chelsea's Jody Morris and

Queen's Park Rangers' Kevin

Gallen have been ruled out of

the England Under-21's Euro-pean Championship qualifier in Moldova on Saturday. Leices-

The main two are Teddy Sheringham and Nick Barmby, and both have started the sea-son in form and neither are injured - which is more than can he said for several of Hoddle's squad. There are six doubtfuls to add to Darren Anderton, who pulled out last week. David

who come into that category."

Batty (ankle), Les Ferdinand (toe infection) and Paul Gascoigne (Achilles) are expected to be fit enough to travel but Steve Howey, Steve McManaman and Robbie Fowler will probably go back to their clubs. The first four had a light warm-up yesterday while the latter two were not due until last

night. They would need treatment during their time with England but it was worth it because it would otherwise be another five weeks before he involved them, Hoddle said. With that in mind, Graeme Le Saux has also joined the squad. Though far from being fit, Hoddle felt it would "give him a lift"

to be included. Hoddle was also unrepentant about picking David Beckham

- it has been suggested that Manchester United would rather his call-up had been delayed. "I've spoken to Alex Ferguson and his main concern is whether Beckham is ready to deal with things off the pitch," Hoddle said. "I agree with that up to a point but if you have talent you have to play with the best. A lot of players have been capped at 21 [including Hod-dle]. Handling things off the pitch is part of being a footballer - by being here he can see how Alan Shearer handles the pressure. It can be a big plus."

Batistuta's birthday gift

Gabriel Batistuta gave Fioren-tina the perfect 70th birthday present on Sunday with two goals that gave the Italian Cup winners a 2-1 victory over Milan, the Serie A champions,

quarters of the United Nations. eve of the anniversary of the club's foundation in 1926, also marked the first time since the pre-season competition between the Cup winners and the League champions was started in 1988 that the Cup winners had won.

Batistuta gave Fiorentina the lead in the 11th minute. Stefan Schwarz picked him out with a lob to the edge of the box and the Argentine striker did the rest, chipping the veteran defender Franco Baresi and scoring at the near post.

for Milan in the 21st minute, weaving past a defender, check-ing and hitting a left-footed shot that gave Francesco Toldo, the

The score stayed level until the 83rd minute, but with a penalty shoot-out looming, Batistuta took charge.

Marcel Desailly fouled Batis-The victory, coming on the tuta, who scored from the free- 60th minute. He redeemed equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the anniversary of the kick with a shot from 30 yards himself by scoring the equalised for Braga with a tion and enough spending pow- his money where his mouth is The second half again saw eve of the same and the second half again saw eve of the same and the second half again saw eve of the same and the second half again saw eve of the same and the same out which curled over the defence and dipped in under the bar. It was just reward for Fiorentina, who looked by far the more impressive team.

George Weah missed a good opportunity for Milan in the first half, but otherwise looked a little rusty. Roberto Baggio did not play due to an injury and Edgar Davids, Milan's new signing, came on in the second half as substitute but made little impact. In Portugal, Porto, the cham-

Dejan Savicevic equalised pious, kicked off the season with a disappointing 2-2 home draw against Setubal and were lucky to get a late equaliser. but their lack of a first-class Porto, who are aiming for striker was apparent through-

86th minute, when Mario Jardel who suffered a knee injury. scored with a header. The goal er just into extra time.

Setubal, who mounted skilful game, scored their first goal in catch a plane to Russia to play the 16th minute, when the un- with the national team. marked Chiquinho Conde squeezed a shot past Porto's fielder, and Narciso, the Santos new goalkeeper, Andrzej Wozniak. Conde scored his second goal in the 70th minute.

Benfica were held to a 1-1 draw at home by Braga, despite the visitors being reduced to 10 men in the 54th minute after Rodrigo Carneiro was sent off for a second bookable offence. Benfica dominated the game but their lack of a first-class

young Fiorentina goalkeeper, their third consecutive title this out. In the 30th minute they also little chance. season, were 2-0 down until the lost their key midfielder Valdo, Benfica finally scored in the came after a string of wasted op-portunities, including Domingos en by Helder after Luis Baltasar Oliveira missing a penalty in the tripped up João Pinto. Idalecio a new stadium, its own radio sta- we'd do it," he said. He has put

In Brazil, two players left a Setulal, who mounted skilful championship match early on counter-attacks throughout the Sunday because they had to Andre, the São Paulo mid-

defender were both substituted during their teams' game, taken to São Paulo airport and flown to Rio de Janeiro in a private jet to join the national squad for the journey to Moscow. The problem arose because the match was selected as the day's televised live game, forcing it to be put back three hours from the usual kick-off

Diamonds still short of sparkle

NICK HARRIS

Rushden & Diamonds

There is an English club which ing £50,000 on a player it d get They are not in the Premiership. They are not even in the Nationwide League, but they will be one day soon, if their chairman has anything to do with it.

Max Griggs is the man from Kett £85,000.
Rushden & Diamonds, the Last sear Martens boots, vendors of 75 million pairs of footwear world-

wide each year. It is his investment of £10m of the table, next to fellow over the past four years that has newcomers Hayes.

enabled two non-entity nonleague clubs, Rushden Town and Irthingborough Diamonds, to become one entity of altogether different proportions. "If I thought that by spend-

boasts a millionaire benefactor, us promotion to the league, players - Kenny Cramman, Mark Tucker and Jim Rodwell - all for five-figure sums after breaking the non-league transfer record to sign Carl Alford from Kettering in April for

Last season was a good one, Northamptonshire side promotion and promoted to the GM Vauxhall conference from the Beazer winning promotion and promoted to the GM Vauxhall gressing through five rounds to an FA Cup tie with Cardiff City, season, but we've got to have patience." And ambition. Homes League last season. He which they lost 3-1. This season is also chairman of the county's so far has not been so good, cobbling firm responsible for Dr though. They had only one point from a potential nine going into the game and began and ended it nestling at the bottom

Hayes started the stronger side and the Rushden defence allowed Junior Haynes through to put the home side ahead in the 11th minute. The deficit rallied Rushden to attack and the pressure paid off when Alford headed home from a Cramman corner on the half-hour.

Brady, Sugrue and Williams all coming close. Rushden countered with some fluid passing from Cramman, and Alford hit the bar with a header 10 minutes from time. Griggs, satisfied that one

point apiece was a fair outcome, said: "Of course, I'm a bit dis-

Hayes (4-4-2): Meara; Brady, Flyrin, Kelly, Bunce; Goodiffe, Sugrue (Hyati, 74), Rodds, Williams; Haynes (Randal, 88), Williamson, Sub-stitute not used; Lews, Rushden & Diamonds (4-4-2): Benstrad; Wooding, Ashby, Stott. Rotwell: Cramman, Aring Butjerworm, Altort; Collins, Hackert, Sub-stitutes not used: Kirtup, Wilson, Bailey.

Welsh juniors go down fighting

Wales, making their first entry into the European Women's Junior Championship yesterday, put up a courageous performance against Germany, the defending champions, before losing 3-0, writes Bill Colwill from Cardiff. After holding their own for 21 minutes, a defensive lapse allowed Germany's Cornelia Reiter a free run for the opening goal of the game.

goal in the 54th minute, again allowing a German striker, Jennie Schweim, au easy run at

England started their programme with a 5-2 win against the Czech Republic. Purdy Miller and Helen Grant scored twice, with Sarah Blanks, whose speed created all sorts of problems for the Czech defence,

Stunned by a penalty stroke completing the scoring. The conversion three minutes into the second half, Wales fought England captain, Lucy New-combe, who played with a fracback before conceding a third tured thumb suffered in practice on Sunday, was happy despite her team letting in two soft goals. "We were very nervous at the start but once we scored we were never going to lose."

> Wales today play the Ukraine, who caused a major surprise in beating Spain yesterday. England have a rest day before playing Russia tomorrow.

Sailing STUART ALEXANDER

There were plenty of spills on the opening day of the Audi Laser 5,000 National Champ-

ionships yesterday, with capsized boats littering Hayling

the 51-boat fleet. The series for the high-

class for Sydney 2000, is a tough one, with 14 races scheduled before the prize-giving on Friday.

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It has attracted entries from 10 countries, including a clutch power, Andy and Ian Budgen, the defending champions, won all three races to establish not just a commanding lead but a

Budgen brothers make swell start to series psychological advantage over as crew. Their best result was a 13th placing.

The Barcelona 470 repreperformance double trapeze dinghies, which are trying to be accepted as a new Olympic of the day, the strength of his of the day, the strength of his crew, Tim Hancock, telling as the south-westerly breeze piped up to 16 knots. But only the Budgen brothers could produce consistent performances as crews tired in the lumpy swell. Six different boats filled the second and third placings in the

day's three races.

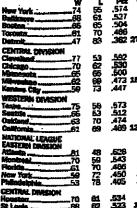
Jean-Philippe Saliou's Gavroche kept France in the lead of the Teacher's Round Britain Challenge yesterday. The 10 boats, two each from England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and France, were into the second day of the second leg from Galway to Oban. Scotland's Jon Fitzgerald, in

Glendronach, took second place, with Craig Nutter in third place for England and gaining ground in Newcastle Quayside.

Athletics
Lintord Christie may extend his Grand
Prix career to run in a "dream team"
relay with the world's fastest sprinters
in Berlin on Fridsy. A special 4x100 metres relay in honour of Jese Owens, who
won four Berlin Olympic gold medals 60
years ago. will be led by Donovan Bailey of Canada and Frankle Fredericls
of Namibia. Carl Lewis was also going
to be part of the relay but had to withdraw because of a leg Injury. A replacement has yet to be announced.

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SPORTING DIGEST

Yuri Amachakov, of Russia, retained his World Boxing Council flyweight title in Tokyo yesterday by stopping Japan's Takato Toguchi in the ninth round.

Football reduces: Rethland Libuda, known as the greatest winger in Germen football, died of a heart attack on Sunday, eged 52. Libuda, whose dribbling skills earned him the nickname "Stan" after Stanley Matthews, was capped 26 times for Germena and played in the 1970 World Cup many and played in the 1970 World Cup team which reached the semi-finals. Jason Wilcox, the England winger, could be back in time for Blackburn's could be back in time for Blackburn's next fixture against Leads on 4 Sep-tember having made a quicker than ex-pected recovery efter a knee operation. POSITIONED MATCHES (International cad-most Teacher with the property of the Next Matchen v Bristol Rovers. Saturday 21. August Northmerida League Second Division: Walsa's Whethern Ber's Southish League First Division: East Fife v Clydobank.

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Rugby Union

Moseley are to sign the New Zealand utility back Stu Langley, from Third Division Leeds. Langley, who is English qualified having spent three seasons with Leeds, was recommended to Moseley by his former North Harbour team-mate Manu Feiva, the Tongan scrum half. South Armick, Squab (haled seed final Test v New Zealand, Elis Park, Set 31 August; A Joubert, J Seranty, J ven der Westhusen. Gleichmann tagd, A Wester, R Horte, S Affects, Mandreus, M Harter, H Torting, O du Ransz, W Fywe, K Wese, J Dation, D Theron, H Horsbal, J Roux, J Muster, V Citiers.

Speedway

Alexander Poop, the Russian double Olympic champion, was in a senous con-dition yesterday after being stabbed on a Moscow street. A doctor said it was too early to say whether Popov, the only man to renain the Olympic 50 and 1,00 metres freestyle titles, would return to top-level sport.

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SUNDAY'S LATE RESULTS: Spanish Super Cap first leg: Boroslona 5 iRonoloo 5, 89, Glovann 31, Prza 73, De la Peda 75; Alatico Macho 2 (Srance 73, Porte pen 57; Ibalian Super Cap: Forentina 2 (Batistuta 111, 83) Milon 1 (Savicewe 21). Major Lague Soccer: Weshington DC Utd 3 Tampa Bay Muttiny 0; San Jose Clash 1 Colorado Raputs C; Dalas Bum 3 Lis Angeles Galay 2. African Nations' Cup preliminary round second leg:

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THIRD TEST: England's batsmen and bowlers have serious lessons to learn after fifth successive series defeat against Pakistan

Mushtaq shows complete mastery

DEREK PRINGLE

reports from The Oval England 326 and 242 Pakistan 521-8 dec and 48-1 Pakistan win by nine wickets

England brought both an expectant summer and the Illingworth era to a painful and unsatisfactory end in the Third Test at The Oval yesterday, A 2-0 defeat against Wasim Akram's talented side would not ordinarily be a humiliating result over a five-match series, but over three it represents a sound and their coach, David Lloyd, must learn from.

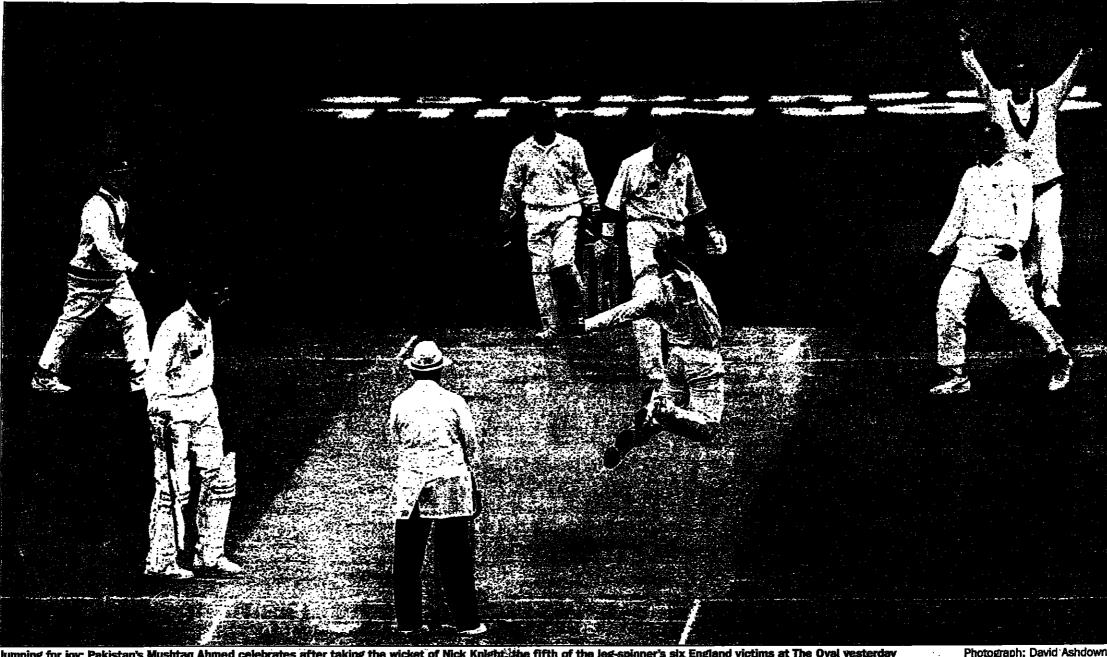
One of the lessons is that England need to find a bowling attack capable of taking wickets, or at least putting opposition batsmen under pressure. Alan Mullally apart, none of England's bowlers in this series pitched a consistent length and line.

Another lesson - an increased resilience among the batsmen was thought to have been learned. Against predictable bowling attacks that may be the case, but against a combination as inventive and confrontational as this, England looked as fragile as ever once the pressure began to grow fangs and Mushtaq's leg-spin began to bite. The Sultan of Sahiwal is not

too grand a title for this diminu tive wizard of wrist-spin. His 6 for 78 came from an unbroken spell of 30 overs from the Vaux-hall End, a performance that earned him the man-of-thematch award and one that raised his haul of 17 wickets in the series and 45 in his last six Tests.

Indeed so complete was Mushtaq's mastery that until Waqar's dismissal of Chris Lewis - the batsman was unsurprisingly late getting his bat spinner appeared to be heading lowards bagging all 10. As it was, Wasim's three late wickets propelled him into the 300 club in his 70th Test, the 11th Test player to achieve this bench-

mark of true greatness. Poor England. This is the fifth successive series Pakistan have won against England, a record stretching back to 1982. Every time they convince themselves that things are getting better, along comes a team whose consummate skill and aggression reminds them, that at best, things have only really remained static. A contention borne out by the fact that England have only beaten these opponents once in



wickets lost for 126 runs in three and a half hours - was a virtual re-run of their last day batting collapse at Lord's in the first Test, when nine wickets were lost on the final afternoon for 75 runs.

In a way that was the crucial blow, devastatingly struck and immaculately timed in terms of the strategy and psychology of a three-match series. After that, England knew they had to win but seemed unsure how to take the 20 wickets complish it.

Confused, they were forced to bowling attack who were never sure what to believe, as much detext of the series, they lost et academies or indoor schools:

sired continuity was jettisoned in favour of the "one-off" selection. The batting, so sure and cer-

tain at Headingley, showed its customary fragility here once Atherton had gone, second out, to a sharp pad-bat catch at silly point. With Mushtaq Ahmed bowling round the wicket, he was drawn into a defensive shot he need not have played. His annovance was evident

and he swished his bat angrily Once again, the England captain appears to be the only mix cod kidology (in the hope of player able to defend for long getting green wickets) with a periods. Although a draw was useless to England in the con-

much of the credibility gained at Headingley, with the meekness of their collapse.

His opening partner, Alec Stewart, who has resurrected his Test career with his sleek and powerful strokeplay, was deservedly made his country's man of the series, an accolade that also went Mushtaq's way when Pakistan's was named by England's coach, David Lloyd.

However, even a cricketing not have failed to be impressed by the verve and substance of Pakistan's cricket. Like England they have a six-month season. Unlike us, they have no crick-

just a club system operated with cut-throat competitiveness on and off the field.

If the Prime Minister does want to learn how to improve England's cricketing lot, he should send his next fact-finding party to the depths of Pakistan. and not to some committee room at Lord's where the meniscus's of gin and tonics have a habit of distorting the bare facts.

The Illingworth reign has than it has answered. Under the Yorkshireman, England have played 28 Tests, winning six, drawing 13 and losing nine. It is by no means a devastation, and

players as talented as Cork, Atherton, Stewart and Thorne around, England's win rate should be higher. Winning is not everything but it should perme-ate English cricket a lot further than it does at the moment.

Surrey, responding to a request by the Test and County Cricket Board to drop Chris Lewis as further punishment for arriving late at The Oval on Sunusual way on Wednesday. Surrey's coach, David Gilbert, said tain, as Alec Stewart and Adam yet when there are individual in England's one-day squad.

each). Unspires: B C Coorey and M J Kitchen. Man of the metch: Musicaq Ahmed.

Atherton pads up in defence of 'resilient side'

SIMON O'HAGAN

It would be nice for Michael Atherton if he did not have to put on a brave face almost as often as he does his pads, but after vesterday's second capitula-

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tion of the summer against Pakistan, the England captain was forced into a routine that he always performs with commendable dignity - facing up to the reality of his team's shortcomings while still salvaging hope

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narrow in outlook (7)

20 Lieutenant in steep refuge

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to beat, though today's not a good day to say that," he said. But I think we are a more resilient side than we were. The next stage is to try and find an attack that stays together. Just

stays together, so you need a bowling attack that stays to-

That, of course, is the hard part. "It takes time," David Lloyd, the England coach, said. "The challenge for us is to come up with a formula that gives Mike something to work with to control the game and

"We've got to give as much support to the captain as we can. The way he's played and han-dled himself in a difficult Test was a monumental effort, but we've lost. I just feel we've let

"What I've said all along is as you need a batting attack that tell members of the Test team Lloyd said." We would have fanthat we've become a harder side stays together, so you need a that they were out of the Texa-cied our chances to bat through co Trophy squad and then the disciplining of Chris Lewis had added to his cares during the

last two days. But he still took what he reckoned was his share of the blame for the defeat, citing his own dis-missal to Mushtaq Ahmed as one of a couple of "soft" ones in England's second-innings collapse. He nobly suggested that dealing with Pakistan's new-ball attack was easier than coming to face bowlers, particularly Mushtaq, who were into their rhythm.

"We should have scored

cied our chances to bat through the last day, but we didn't play well enough to do that." Atherton was asked whether

events had lessened his enthusiasm for Test cricket. "I've got plenty of enthusiasm, thanks very much," he replied. "Tve played for a fair while, quite a while as captain. I like to think I'm an England player through and through, and I'll always give of my best."

Any thoughts of giving up the captaincy? "Not at the present time," he said, with a hint of equivocation. No wonder Lloyd is concerned about letting Ath-

Atherton said that having to more runs in the first innings," Bemused batsmen not equipped to play spin

HENRY BLOFELD

If there was anyone who had forgotten the entertainment value of wrist-spin they should have been at The Oval for the final day's Test cricket this summer. Mushtag Ahmed took 6 for 78 in 37 overs and single-handedly destroyed the England batting with a glorious and irresistible spell of bowling which began at 6.25 on Sunday evening and

ended at 4.18 yesterday.

Throughout the series,
Mushtaq's shadow has hovered over England's batsmen like an albatross. He is not unknown to them either. He plied his trade with Somerset from 1993 to 1995, and the England batsmen will all have come across him at one time or another.

Not only that, but the batsmen and the management also knew that Mushtaq would be one of the principal threats. It was imperative, therefore, that those is killed. Mushtaq's top-spinner

unable to tell the leg-break from the googly should be helped to than his googly, which is not hidwork out a method of playing this

type of bowling.

But far from this happening. England's batsmen at The Oval looked in an even greater state of confusion against Mushtaq than they were in the First Test at Lord's. John Crawley seemed to read Mushtaq pretty well, and Michael Atherton got it right most of the time.

Nasser Hussain did his best trying to sort out the spin from the way the ball spun as it came down the pitch towards him. He is, anyway, an excellent player of spin and will work this problem out before too long. As it was, in the second innings he was the victim of a questionable low decision. The others might have been batting in a fog.

Reading the spin in the air is one way of coping; another is to keep on the front foot, playing with limp wrists so that the spin

than his googly, which is not hid-den as cleverly as some. The top-spinner tends to hurry through off the pitch, which is another reason for keeping on the front foot.

What made this an even sadder day for English cricket was that Mushtaq triumphed on an excellent pitch which was still full of runs. This shows that even when the batsmen know which way the ball is turning they do

not have the technique to cope. The reason here is that wristspinners are almost an extinct species in English cricket and batsmen are completely lost when they come up against them. The preparation for a series against Mushtaq was less than effective. Next year it will be Australia and Shane Warne and our coaches, managers, advisers, counsellors and whatever must start working on that one now. There is not a day to

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